1. Application of Tariff

- This tariff contains regulations, rates and charges applicable to the provision of Carrier Common Line, End User Access, Switched Access, Special Access, Lifeline Assistance, Universal Service Fund and other miscellaneous services, hereinafter referred to collectively as service(s). These services are provided to customers by the Issuing Carrier of this tariff, hereinafter the Telephone Company. This tariff also contains Access Ordering regulations and charges that are applicable when these services are ordered or modified by the customer. Pursuant to the Commission's Rules at Sections 69.4(c), 69.5(d), 69.104(1), 69.116, 69.117, 69.603(c) and 69.603(d), regulations concerning administration and billing of Lifeline Assistance and Universal Service Fund, rates and charges for these carrier's carrier elements are contained in Section 8 of the National Exchange Carrier Association, Inc., F.C.C. No. 5. The National Exchange Carrier Association, Inc. will bill and collect all Lifeline Assistance and Universal Service Fund Charges on behalf of the Telephone Company.
 - 1.2 The provision of such services by the Telephone Company as set forth in this tariff does not constitute a joint undertaking with the customer for the furnishing of any service.

2. General Regulations

2.1 <u>Undertaking of the Telephone Company</u>

2.1.1 <u>Scope</u>

- (A) The Telephone Company does not undertake to transmit messages under this tariff.
- (B) The Telephone Company shall be responsible only for the installation, operation and maintenance of the services it provides.
- (C) The Telephone Company will, for maintenance purposes, test its service only to the extent necessary to detect and/or clear troubles.
- (D) Services are provided 24 hours daily, seven days per week, except as set forth in other applicable sections of this tariff.
- (E) The Telephone Company does not warrant that its facilities and services meet standards other than those set forth in this tariff.

2.1.2 Limitations

(A) Assignment or Transfer of Services

The customer may assign or transfer the use of services provided under this tariff only where there is no interruption of use or relocation of the services. Such assignment or transfer may be made to:

- 2. General Regulations (Cont'd)
 - 2.1 <u>Undertaking of the Telephone Company</u> (Cont'd)
 - 2.1.2 <u>Limitations</u> (Cont'd)
 - (A) Assignment or Transfer of Services (Cont'd)
 - (1) another customer, whether an individual, partnership, association or corporation, provided the assignee or transferee assumes all outstanding indebtedness for such services, and the unexpired portion of the minimum period and the termination liability applicable to such services, if any; or
 - (2) a court-appointed receiver, trustee or other person acting pursuant to law in bankruptcy, receivership, reorganization, insolvency, liquidation or other similar proceedings, provided the assignee or transferee assumes the unexpired portion of the minimum period and the termination liability applicable to such services, if any.

In all cases of assignment or transfer, the written acknowledgement of the Telephone Company is required prior to such assignment or transfer. This acknowledgement shall be made within 15 days from the receipt of notification. All regulations and conditions contained in this tariff shall apply to such assignee or transferee.

2. General Regulations (Cont'd)

2.1 <u>Undertaking of the Telephone Company</u> (Cont'd)

2.1.2 <u>Limitations</u> (Cont'd)

(A) <u>Assignment or Transfer of Services</u> (Cont'd)

The assignment or transfer of services does not relieve or discharge the assignor or transferor from remaining jointly or severally liable with the assignee or transferee for any obligations existing at the time of the assignment or transfer.

(B) <u>Use and Restoration of Services</u>

The use and restoration of services shall be in accordance with Part 64, Subpart D, Appendix A, of the Federal Communications Commission's Rules and Regulations, which specifies the priority system for such activities.

(C) Sequence of Provisioning

Subject to compliance with the rules mentioned in (B) preceding, the services offered herein will be provided to customers on a first-come, first-served basis.

The first-come, first-served sequence shall be based upon the received time and date recorded, by stamp or other notation, by the Telephone Company on customer access orders. These orders must contain all the information as required for each respective service as delineated in other sections of this tariff. Customer orders shall not be deemed to have been received until such information is provided. Should questions arise

2. General Regulations (Cont'd)

2.1 <u>Undertaking of the Telephone Company</u> (Cont'd)

2.1.2 <u>Limitations</u> (Cont'd)

(C) <u>Sequences of Provisioning</u> (Cont'd)

which preclude order issuance due to missing information or the need for clarification, the Telephone Company will attempt to seek such missing information or clarification on a verbal basis.

2.1.3 Liability

(A) <u>Limits of Liability</u>

The Telephone Company's liability, if any, for its willful misconduct is not limited by this tariff. With respect to any other claim or suit, by a customer or by any others, for damages associated with the installation, provision, termination, maintenance, repair or restoration of service, and subject to the provisions of (B) through (G) following, the Telephone Company's liability if any, shall not exceed an amount equal to the proportionate charge for the service for the period during which the service was affected. This liability for damages shall be in addition to any amounts that may otherwise be due the customer under this tariff as a Credit Allowance for a Service Interruption.

(B) Acts or Omissions

The Telephone Company shall not be liable for any act or omission of any other carrier or customer providing a portion of a service, nor shall the Telephone Company for its own act or omission hold liable any other carrier or customer providing a portion of a service.

2. General Regulations (Cont'd)

2.1 <u>Undertaking of the Telephone Company</u> (Cont'd)

2.1.3 <u>Liability</u> (Cont'd)

(C) <u>Damages to Customer Premises</u>

The Telephone Company is not liable for damages to the customer premises resulting from the furnishing of a service, including the installation and removal of equipment and associated wiring, unless the damage is caused by the Telephone Company's negligence.

(D) <u>Indemnification of Telephone Company</u>

(1) By the End User

The Telephone Company shall be indemnified, defended and held harmless by the end user against any claim, loss or damage arising from the end user's use of services offered under this tariff, involving:

- (A) Claims for libel, slander, invasion of privacy, or infringement of copyright arising from the end user's own communications;
- (B) Claims for patent infringement arising from the end user's acts combining or using the service furnished by the Telephone Company in connection with facilities or equipment furnished by the end users or customer or;

- 2. General Regulations (Cont'd)
 - 2.1 <u>Undertaking of the Telephone Company</u> (Cont'd)
 - 2.1.3 <u>Liability</u> (Cont'd)
 - (D) <u>Indemnification of Telephone Company</u>
 - (1) By the End User (Cont'd)
 - (C) All other claims arising out of any act or omission of the end user in the course of using services provided pursuant to this tariff.
 - (2) By the Customer

The Telephone Company shall be indemnified, defended and held harmless by the customer against any claim, loss or damage arising from the customer's use of services offered under this tariff, involving:

- (A) Claims for libel, slander, invasion of privacy, or infringement of copyright arising from the customer's own communications;
- (B) Claims for patent infringement arising from the customer's acts combining or using the service furnished by the Telephone Company in connection with facilities or equipment furnished by the end user or customer or:
- (C) All other claims arising out of any act or omission of the customer in the course of using services provided pursuant to this tariff.

2. General Regulations (Cont'd)

2.1 <u>Undertaking of the Telephone Company</u> (Cont'd)

2.1.3 <u>Liability</u> (Cont'd)

(E) Explosive Atmospheres

The Telephone Company does not guarantee or make any warranty with respect to its services when used in an explosive atmosphere. The Telephone Company shall be indemnified, defended and held harmless by the customer from any and all claims by any person relating to such customer's use of services so provided.

(F) No License Granted

No license under patents (other than the limited license to use) is granted by the Telephone Company or shall be implied or arise by estoppel, with respect to any service offered under this tariff. The Telephone Company will defend the customer against claims of patent infringement arising solely from the use by the customer of services offered under this tariff and will indemnify such customer for any damages awarded based solely on such claims.

(G) Circumstances Beyond the Telephone Company's Control

The Telephone Company's failure to provide or maintain services under this tariff shall be excused by labor difficulties, governmental orders, civil commotions, criminal actions taken against the Telephone Company, acts of God and other circumstances beyond the Telephone Company's reasonable control, subject to the Credit Allowance for a Service Interruption as set forth in 2.4.4 following.

2. General Regulations (Cont'd)

2.1 <u>Undertaking of the Telephone Company</u> (Cont'd)

2.1.4 Provision of Services

The Telephone Company will provide to the customer, upon reasonable notice, services offered in other applicable sections of this tariff at rates and charges specified therein. Services will be made available to the extent that such services are or can be made available with reasonable effort, and after provision has been made for the Telephone Company's telephone exchange services.

2.1.5 <u>Facility Terminations</u>

The services provided under this tariff will include any entrance cable or drop wiring and wire or intrabuilding cable to that point where provision is made for termination of the Telephone Company's outside distribution network facilities at a suitable location inside a customer-designated premises. Such wiring or cable will be installed by the Telephone Company to the Point of Termination. Moves of the Point of Termination at the customer designated premises will be as set forth in 6.4.4 and 7.2.3 following.

2.1.6 Service Maintenance

The services provided under this tariff shall be maintained by the Telephone Company. The customer or others may not rearrange, move, disconnect, remove or attempt to repair any facilities provided by the Telephone Company, other than by connection or disconnection to any interface means used, except with the written consent of the Telephone Company.

2. General Regulations (Cont'd)

2.1 <u>Undertaking of the Telephone Company</u> (Cont'd)

2.1.7 Changes and Substitutions

Except as provided for equipment and systems subject to FCC Part 68 Regulations at 47 C.F.R. Section 68.110(b), the Telephone Company may, where such action is reasonably required in the operation of its business, substitute, change or rearrange any facilities used in providing service under this tariff. Such actions may include, without limitation:

- substitution of different metallic facilities,
- substitution of carrier or derived facilities for metallic facilities used to provide other than metallic facilities,

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- change of minimum protection criteria,
- change of operating or maintenance characteristics of facilities, or
- change of operations or procedures of the Telephone Company.

In case of any such substitution, change or rearrangement, the transmission parameters will be within the range as set forth in Section 14 following. The Telephone Company shall not be responsible if any such substitution, change or rearrangement renders any customer furnished services obsolete or requires modification or alteration thereof or otherwise affects their use or performance. If such substitution, change or rearrangement materially affects the operating characteristics of the facility, the Telephone

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2. General Regulations (Cont'd)

2.1 Undertaking of the Telephone Company (Cont'd)

2.1.7 <u>Changes and Substitutions</u> (Cont'd)

Company will provide reasonable notification to the customer in writing. Reasonable time will be allowed for any redesign and implementation required by the change in operating characteristics. The Telephone Company will work cooperatively with the customer to determine reasonable notification procedures.

2.1.8 Refusal and Discontinuance of Service

- (A) If a customer fails to comply with 2.1.6 preceding (Service Maintenance) or 2.3.1, 2.3.4, 2.3.6, 2.4.1 or 2.5 following (respectively, Damages, Availability for Testing, Balance, Payment Arrangements, Connections) including any customers failure to make payments on the date and times therein specified, the Telephone Company may, on thirty (30) days written notice to the customer by Certified U.S. Mail, take the following actions:
 - refuse additional applications for service and/or refuse to complete any pending orders for service, and/or
 - discontinue the provision of service to the customer.

In the case of discontinuance all applicable charges, including termination charges, shall become due.

(B) If a customer fails to comply with 2.2.2 following (Unlawful and Abusive Use), the Telephone Company may, upon written request from a customer, or another exchange carrier, terminate service to any subscriber or customer identified as having utilized service provided

- 2. General Regulations (Cont'd)
 - 2.1 <u>Undertaking of the Telephone Company</u> (Cont'd)
 - 2.1.8 <u>Refusal and Discontinuance of Service</u> (Cont'd)
 - (B) (Cont'd)

under this tariff in the completion of abusive or unlawful telephone calls. Service shall be terminated by the Telephone Company as provided for in its general and/or local exchange service tariffs.

In such instances when termination occurs the Telephone Company shall be indemnified, defended and held harmless by any customer or Exchange Carrier requesting termination of service against any claim, loss or damage arising from the Telephone Company's actions in terminating such service, unless caused by the Telephone Company's negligence.

(C) Except as provided for equipment or systems subject to the FCC Part 68 Rules in 47 C.F.R. Section 68.108, if the customer fails to comply with 2.2.1 following (Interference or Impairment), the Telephone Company will, where practicable, notify the customer that temporary discontinuance of the use of a service may be required; however, where prior notice is not practicable, the Telephone Company may temporarily discontinue service forthwith if such action is reasonable in the circumstances. In case of such temporary discontinuance, the customer will be notified promptly and afforded the opportunity to correct the condition which gave rise to the temporary discontinuance. During such period of temporary discontinuance, credit allowance for service interruptions as set forth in 2.4.4 following is not applicable.

- 2. General Regulations (Cont'd)
 - 2.1 <u>Undertaking of the Telephone Company</u> (Cont'd)
 - 2.1.8 <u>Refusal and Discontinuance of Service</u> (Cont'd)
 - (D) When access service is provided by more than one Telephone Company, the companies involved in providing the joint service may individually or collectively deny service to a customer for nonpayment. Where the Telephone Company(s) affected by the nonpayment is incapable of effecting discontinuance of service without cooperation from the other joint providers of Switched Access Service, such other Telephone Company(s) will, if technically feasible, assist in denying the joint service to the customer. Service denial for such joint service will only include calls originating or terminating within, or transiting, the operating territory of the Telephone Companies initiating the service denial for nonpayment. When more than one of the joint providers must deny service to effectuate termination for nonpayment, in cases where a conflict exists in the applicable tariff provisions, the tariff regulations of the end office Telephone Company shall apply for joint service discontinuance.
 - (E) If the Telephone Company does not refuse additional applications for service and/or does not discontinue the provision of the services as specified for herein, and the customer's noncompliance continues, nothing contained herein shall preclude the Telephone Company's right to refuse additional applications for service and/or to discontinue the provision of the services to the non-complying customer without further notice.

2. General Regulations (Cont'd)

2.1 <u>Undertaking of the Telephone Company</u> (Cont'd)

2.1.8 <u>Refusal and Discontinuance of Service</u> (Cont'd)

- (F) If the National Exchange Carrier Association, Inc. notifies the Telephone Company that the Customer has failed to comply with Section 8 herein (Lifeline Assistance and Universal Service Fund charges), including any Customer's failure to make payments on the date and times specified therein, the Telephone Company may, on thirty days' written notice to the Customer by Certified U.S. Mail, take any of the following actions:
 - refuse additional applications for service
 - refuse to complete any pending orders for service
 - discontinue the provision of service to the Customer.

In the case of discontinuance, all applicable charges including termination charges shall become due.

2.1.9 Notification of Service-Affecting Activities

The Telephone Company will provide the customer reasonable notification of service-affecting activities that may occur in the normal operation of its business. Such activities may include, but are not limited to the following:

- equipment or facilities additions,
- removals or rearrangements.
- routine preventative maintenance, and
- major switching machine change-out.

2. General Regulations (Cont'd)

2.1 <u>Undertaking of the Telephone Company</u> (Cont'd)

2.1.9 Notification of Service-Affecting Activities (Cont'd)

Generally, such activities are not individual customer service specific, but may affect many customer services. No specific advance notification period is applicable to all service activities. The Telephone Company will work cooperatively with the customer to determine reasonable notification requirements.

2.1.10 Coordination with Respect to Network Contingencies

The Telephone Company intends to work cooperatively with the customer to develop network contingency plans in order to maintain maximum network capability following natural or man-made disasters which affect telecommunications services.

2.1.11 Provision and Ownership of Telephone Numbers

The Telephone Company reserves the reasonable right to assign, designate or change telephone numbers, any other call number designations associated with Access Services, or the Telephone Company serving central office prefixes associated with such numbers, when necessary in the conduct of its business. Should it become necessary to make a change in such number(s), the Telephone Company will furnish to the customer six (6) months notice, by Certified U.S. Mail, of the effective date and an explanation of the reason(s) for such change(s).

2. General Regulations (Cont'd)

2.2 Use

2.2.1 <u>Interference or Impairment</u>

The characteristics and methods of operation of any circuits, facilities or equipment provided by other than the Telephone Company and associated with the facilities utilized to provide services under this tariff shall not:

- interfere with or impair service over any facilities of the Telephone Company, its affiliated companies, or its connecting and concurring carriers involved in its services,
- cause damage to their plant,
- impair the privacy of any communications carried over their facilities, or
- create hazards to the employees of any of them or the public.

2.2.2 Unlawful and Abusive Use

(A) The service provided under this tariff shall not be used for an unlawful purpose or used in an abusive manner.

Abusive use includes:

(1) The use of the service of the Telephone Company for a call or calls, anonymous or otherwise, in a manner reasonably expected to frighten, abuse, torment, or harass another:

2. General Regulations (Cont'd)

2.2 <u>Use</u> (Cont'd)

2.2.2 <u>Unlawful and Abusive Use</u> (Cont'd)

(2) The use of the service in such a manner as to interfere unreasonably with the use of the service by one or more other customers.

2.3 <u>Obligations of the Customer</u>

2.3.1 Damages

The customer shall reimburse the Telephone Company for damages to Telephone Company facilities utilized to provide services under this tariff caused by the negligence or willful act of the customer or resulting from the customer's improper use of the Telephone Company facilities, or due to malfunction of any facilities or equipment provided by other than the Telephone Company. Nothing in the foregoing provision shall be interpreted to hold one customer liable for another customer's actions. The Telephone Company will, upon reimbursement for damages, cooperate with the customer in prosecuting a claim against the person causing such damage and the customer shall be subrogated to the right of recovery by the Telephone Company for the damages to the extent of such payment.

2.3.2 Ownership of Facilities and Theft

Facilities utilized by the Telephone Company to provide service under the provisions of this tariff shall remain the property of the Telephone Company. Such facilities shall be returned to the Telephone Company by the customer, whenever requested, within a reasonable period. The equipment shall be returned in as good condition as reasonable wear will permit.

2. General Regulations (Cont'd)

2.3 Obligations of the Customer (Cont'd)

2.3.3 Equipment Space and Power

The customer shall furnish or arrange to have furnished to the Telephone Company, at no charge, equipment space and electrical power required by the Telephone Company to provide services under this tariff at the points of termination of such services. The selection of ac or dc power shall be mutually agreed to by the customer and the Telephone Company. The customer shall also make necessary arrangements in order that the Telephone Company will have access to such spaces at reasonable times for installing, testing, repairing or removing Telephone Company facilities used to provide services.

2.3.4 Availability for Testing

Access to facilities used to provide services under this tariff shall be available to the Telephone Company at times mutually agreed upon in order to permit the Telephone Company to make tests and adjustments appropriate for maintaining the services in satisfactory operating condition. Such tests and adjustments shall be completed within a reasonable time. As set forth in 2.4.4(C)(4) following, no credit will be allowed for any interruptions involved during such tests and adjustments.

2. General Regulations (Cont'd)

2.3 Obligations of the Customer (Cont'd)

2.3.5 <u>Limitation of Use of Metallic Facilities</u>

Signals applied to a metallic facility shall conform to the limitations set forth in Technical Reference Publication AS No. 1. In the case of application of dc telegraph signaling systems, the customer shall be responsible, at its expense, for the provision of current limiting devices to protect the Telephone Company facilities from excessive current due to abnormal conditions and for the provision of noise mitigation networks when required to reduce excessive noise.

2.3.6 Balance

All signals for transmission over the facilities used to provide services under this tariff shall be delivered by the customer balanced to ground except for ground start, duplex (DX) and McCulloch-Loop (Alarm System) type signaling and dc telegraph transmission at speeds of 75 baud or less.

2.3.7 Design of Customer Services

Subject to the provisions of 2.1.7 preceding (Changes and Substitutions), the customer shall be solely responsible, at its own expense, for the overall design of its services and for any redesigning or rearrangement of its services which may be required because of changes in facilities, operations or procedures of the Telephone Company, minimum protection criteria or operating or maintenance characteristics of the facilities.

2. General Regulations (Cont'd)

2.3 Obligations of the Customer (Cont'd)

2.3.8 References to the Telephone Company

The customer may advise end users that certain services are provided by the Telephone Company in connection with the service the customer furnishes to end users; however, the customer shall not represent that the Telephone Company jointly participates in the customer's services.

2.3.9 Claims and Demands for Damages

- (A) With respect to claims of patent infringement made by third persons, the customer shall defend, indemnify, protect and save harmless the Telephone Company from and against all claims arising out of the combining with, or use in connection with, the services provided under this tariff, any circuit, apparatus, system or method provided by the customer.
- (B) The customer shall defend, indemnify and save harmless the Telephone Company from and against any suits, claims, losses and damages, including punitive damages, attorney fees and court costs by third persons arising out of the construction, installation, operation, maintenance, or removal of the customer's circuits, facilities, or equipment connected to the Telephone Company's services provided under this tariff including, without limitation, Worker's Compensation claims, actions for infringement of copyright and/or unauthorized use of program material, libel and slander actions based on the content of communications transmitted over the customer's

2. General Regulations (Cont'd)

2.3 Obligations of the Customer (Cont'd)

2.3.9 <u>Claims and Demands for Damages</u> (Cont'd)

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circuits, facilities or equipment, and proceedings to recover taxes, fines, or penalties for failure of the customer to obtain or maintain in effect any necessary certificates, permits, licenses, or other authority to acquire or operate the services provided under this tariff; provided, however, the foregoing indemnification shall not apply to suits, claims, and demands to recover damages for damage to property, death, or personal injury unless such suits, claims or demands are based on the tortious conduct of the customer, its officers, agents or employees.

(C) The customer shall defend, indemnify and save harmless the Telephone Company from and against any suits, claims, losses or damages, including punitive damages, attorney fees and court costs by the customer or third parties arising out of any act of omission of the customer in the course of using services provided under this tariff.

2.3.10 Coordination with Respect to Network Contingencies

The customer shall, in cooperation with the Telephone Company, coordinate in planning the actions to be taken to maintain maximum network capability following natural or man-made disasters which affect telecommunications services.

- 2. General Regulations (Cont'd)
 - 2.3 Obligations of the Customer (Cont'd)
 - 2.3.11 Jurisdictional Report and Certification Requirements
 - Certification Requirements Special Access & Digital (A) Subscriber Line Access Services

When the customer orders Special Access Service or a Digital Subscriber Line Access Service, 1 and the customer certifies to the Telephone Company in writing that more than ten percent of the traffic is interstate, the service is considered to be interstate and is provided under this Tariff.

Disputes Involving Jurisdictional Certification -(B) Special Access

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If a dispute arises concerning the certification of projected interstate traffic as described in (A) above, the Telephone Company will ask the customer to provide the data the customer used to determine the percentage interstate traffic. The customer shall supply the data within thirty (30) days of the Telephone Company request.

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Digital Subscriber Line Access Service used for connections to the Internet is classified as interstate service provided under this tariff in compliance with the Federal Communications Commission's Memorandum Opinion and Order released October 30, 1998 (FCC 98-292).

General Regulations (Cont'd)

2.3 Obligations of the Customer (Cont'd)

2.3.11 <u>Jurisdictional Report Requirements</u> (Cont'd)

(C) Jurisdictional Reports – Switched Access

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For Switched Access Service, the Telephone Company cannot in all cases determine the jurisdictional nature of customer traffic and its related access minutes. In such cases the customer may be called upon to provide a projected estimate of its traffic, split between the interstate and intrastate jurisdictions. The following regulations govern such estimates, their reporting by the customer and cases where the Telephone Company will develop jurisdictional percentages.

(1) General

Except where Telephone Company measured access minutes are used as set forth following, the customer shall report the percentage of interstate use as set forth in (2), (3), or (4) following and such report will be used for billing purposes until the customer reports a different projected interstate percentage for an in-service end office group. When the customer adds lines or trunks to an existing end office group, the customer shall furnish a revised projected interstate percentage that applies to the total lines or trunks.

When the customer discontinues lines or trunks from an existing group, the customer shall furnish a revised projected interstate percentage for the remaining lines or trunks in the end office group. The revised report will serve as the basis for future billing and will be effective on the next bill date. No prorating or back billing will be done based on the report.

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- 2. General Regulations (Cont'd)
 - 2.3 Obligations of the Customer (Cont'd)
 - 2.3.11 <u>Jurisdictional Report Requirements</u> (Cont'd)
 - (C) <u>Jurisdictional Reports</u> Switched Access (Cont'd)

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(1) General (Cont'd)

Effective on the first of January, April, July and October of each year the customer shall update the interstate and intrastate jurisdictional report. The customer shall forward to the Telephone Company, to be received no later than fifteen (15) days after the first of each such month, a revised report showing the interstate and intrastate percentage of use for the past three months ending the last day of December, March, June and September, respectively, for each service arranged for interstate use.

Except where the Telephone Company is billing according to actuals by jurisdiction, the revised report will serve as the basis for the next three months billing and will be effective on the bill date for that service. No prorating or back billing will be done based on the report.

If the customer does not supply the reports, the Telephone Company will assume the percentages to be the same as those provided in the last quarterly report. For those cases in which a quarterly report has never been received from the customer, the Telephone Company will assume the percentages to be the same as those provided in the order for service as set forth in (2) following.

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- 2. General Regulations (Cont'd)
 - 2.3 Obligations of the Customer (Cont'd)
 - 2.3.11 <u>Jurisdictional Report Requirements</u> (Cont'd)
 - (C) <u>Jurisdictional Reports Switched Access</u> (Cont'd)
 - (2) Feature Groups A and B
 - (a) Pursuant to Federal Communications Commission Order FCC 85-145 released April 16, 1985, interstate usage is to be developed as though every call that enters a customer network at a point within the same state as that in which the called station (as designated by the called station telephone number) is situated is an intrastate communication and every call for which the point of entry is a state other than that where the called station (as designated by the called station telephone number) is situated as an interstate communication.
 - The PIUs described in (2) through (4) following are applied to usage rated Carrier Common Line, Information Surcharge, Local Switching, Tandem Switched Transport and Residual Interconnection charges. Separate PIUs are required for flat rated Entrance Facilities, Direct Trunked Transport and Multiplexers. (S)*

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- 2. General Regulations (Cont'd)
 - 2.3 Obligations of the Customer (Cont'd)
 - 2.3.11 <u>Jurisdictional Report Requirements</u> (Cont'd)
 - (C) <u>Jurisdictional Reports Switched Access</u> (Cont'd)
 - (2) Feature Groups A and B (Cont'd)
 - (b) When a customer orders Feature Group A or Feature Group B Switched Access Service the customer shall, in its order, state the projected interstate percentage for interstate usage for each Feature Group A or Feature Group B Switched Access Service group ordered. The term group shall be construed to mean single lines or trunks as well. If the customer discontinues some but not all of the Feature Group A or Feature Group B Switched Access Services in a group, it shall provide the projected interstate percentage for such services which are remaining.
 - (c) For multiline hunt group or trunk group arrangements where either the interstate or the intrastate charges are based on measured usage, the interstate Feature Group A or Feature Group B Switched Access Service(s) information will be used to determine the charges.

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- 2. General Regulations (Cont'd)
 - 2.3 Obligations of the Customer (Cont'd)
 - 2.3.11 <u>Jurisdictional Report Requirements</u> (Cont'd)
 - (C) <u>Jurisdictional Reports Switched Access</u> (Cont'd)
 - (2) Feature Groups A and B (Cont'd)
 - (c) (Cont'd)

For all groups the number of access minutes for a group will be multiplied by the projected interstate percentage to develop the interstate access minutes. The number of access minutes for the group minus the developed interstate access minutes for the group will be the developed intrastate access minutes.

(3) Feature Group D

When a customer orders Feature Group D Switched Access Service(s) the customer may provide the projected interstate usage for each end office in its order. Alternatively the Telephone Company, where the jurisdiction can be determined from the call detail, will determine the projected interstate percentage as follows:

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- 2. General Regulations (Cont'd)
 - 2.3 Obligations of the Customer (Cont'd)
 - 2.3.11 <u>Jurisdictional Report Requirements</u> (Cont'd)
 - (C) <u>Jurisdictional Reports Switched Access</u> (Cont'd)
 - (3) Feature Group D (Cont'd)
 - For originating access minutes, the projected interstate percentage will be developed on a monthly basis by end office where the Feature Group D Switched Access Service access minutes are measured by dividing the measured interstate originating access minutes (the access minutes where the calling number is in one state and the called number is in another state) by the total originating access minutes, when the call detail is adequate to determine the appropriate jurisdiction.
 - For terminating access minutes, the data used by the Telephone Company to develop the projected interstate percentage for originating access minutes will be used to develop the projected interstate percentage for such terminating access minutes.

When originating call details are insufficient to determine the jurisdiction for the call, the customer shall supply the projected interstate percentage or authorize the Telephone Company to use the Telephone Company developed percentage. This percentage shall be used by the Telephone Company

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2. General Regulations (Cont'd)

2.3 Obligations of the Customer (Cont'd)

2.3.11 <u>Jurisdictional Report Requirements</u> (Cont'd)

(C) <u>Jurisdictional Reports - Switched Access</u> (Cont'd)

(3) Feature Group D (Cont'd)

as the projected interstate percentage for originating and terminating access minutes. The projected intrastate percentage of use will be obtained by subtracting the projected interstate percentage for originating and terminating minutes from 100 (intrastate percentage = 100 - interstate percentage).

(4) Directory Assistance Service

When a customer orders Directory Assistance Service, the customer shall in its order, provide the projected interstate percentage for terminating use in a whole number (a number of 0 through 100) for each Directory Access Service group ordered. (A method the customer may wish to adopt could be to use its terminating traffic from its premises to the involved Directory Assistance Location and calculate the projected interstate percentage as set forth in (3) preceding.) The projected intrastate percentage of use will be obtained by subtracting the projected interstate percentage furnished by the customer from 100 (intrastate percentage = 100 - customer percentage).

(5) <u>Local Number Portability ("LNP"</u>)

LNP Query Service, as set forth in 13.9.1, LNP End
User Charge, as set forth in 13.9.2 and LNP Data
Base Service, as set forth in 6.8.3.1(A), are
considered to be 100% interstate and therefore are not subject to PIU requirements.

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- 2. General Regulations (Cont'd)
 - 2.3 Obligations of the Customer (Cont'd)
 - 2.3.11 <u>Jurisdictional Report Switched Access</u> (Cont'd)

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(D) <u>Billing Disputes Involving Jurisdictional Reports</u> - Switched Access

For Switched Access, if a billing dispute arises concerning the projected interstate percentage, the Telephone Company will ask the customer to provide the data the customer uses to determine the projected interstate percentage. The Telephone Company will not request such data more than once a year. The customer shall supply the data within thirty (30) days of the Telephone Company request.

2.3.12 <u>Determination of Interstate Charges for Mixed Interstate and Intrastate</u> <u>Switched Access Service</u>

When mixed interstate and intrastate Switched Access Service is provided, all charges (i.e., nonrecurring, monthly and/or usage) including optional features charges, will be prorated between interstate and intrastate. The percentage determined as set forth in 2.3.11 preceding will serve as the basis for prorating the charges unless the Telephone Company is billing according to actuals by jurisdiction. The percentage of an Access Service to be charged as interstate is applied in the following manner:

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(A) Monthly and Nonrecurring Charges

For monthly and nonrecurring chargeable rate elements, multiply the percent interstate use times the quantity of chargeable elements times the stated tariff rate.

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- 2. General Regulations (Cont'd)
 - 2.3 Obligations of the Customer (Cont'd)
 - 2.3.12 <u>Determination of Interstate Charges for Mixed Interstate and Intrastate</u> <u>Switched Access Service</u> (Cont'd)
 - (B) Usage Sensitive Charges

For usage sensitive (i.e., access minutes and calls) chargeable rate elements, multiply the percent interstate use times actual use (i.e., measured or Telephone Company assumed average use) times the stated tariff rate.

The interstate percentage may change as revised usage reports are submitted as set forth in 2.3.11 preceding.

- 2.4 Payment Arrangements and Credit Allowances
 - 2.4.1 Payment of Rates, Charges and Deposits
 - (A) Deposits

The Telephone Company will only require a customer which has a proven history of late payments to the Telephone Company or does not have established credit, to make a deposit prior to or at any time after the provision of a service to the customer. No such deposit will be required of a customer which is a successor of a company which has established credit and has no history of late payments to the Telephone Company. Such deposit will not exceed the actual or estimated rates and charges for the service for a two

2. General Regulations(Cont'd)

2.4 Payment Arrangements and Credit Allowances (Cont'd)

2.4.1 Payment of Rates, Charges and Deposits (Cont'd)

(A) <u>Deposits</u> (Cont'd)

month period. The fact that a deposit has been made in no way relieves the customer from complying with the Telephone Company's regulations as to the prompt payment of bills. At such time as the provision of the service to the customer is terminated, the amount of the deposit will be credited to the customer's account and any credit balance which may remain will be refunded.

Such a deposit will be refunded or credited to the account when the customer has established credit or, in any event, after the customer has established a one-year prompt payment record at any time prior to the termination of the provision of the service to the customer. In case of a cash deposit, for the period the deposit is held by the Telephone Company, the customer will receive interest at the same percentage rate as that set forth in (C)(2)(a) or in (C)(2)(b) following, whichever is lower.

The rate will be compounded daily for the number of days from the date the customer deposit is received by the Telephone Company to and including the date such deposit is credited to the customer's account or the date the deposit is refunded by the Telephone Company. Should a deposit be credited to the customer's account, as indicated above, no interest will accrue on the deposit from the date such deposit is credited to the customer's account.

2. <u>General Regulations</u> (Cont'd)

- 2.4 Payment Arrangements and Credit Allowances (Cont'd)
 - 2.4.1 Payment of Rates, Charges and Deposits (Cont'd)
 - (B) Bill Dates

The Telephone Company shall bill on a current basis all charges incurred by and credits due to the customer under this tariff attributable to services established or discontinued during the preceding billing period. In addition, the Telephone Company shall bill in advance charges for all services to be provided during the ensuing billing period except for charges associated with service usage and for the Federal Government which will be billed in arrears. The bill day (i.e., the billing date of a bill for a customer for Access Service under this tariff), the period of service each bill covers and the payment date will be as follows:

(1) <u>End User Access Service, Digital Subscriber</u> (C) <u>Line Access Service and Presubscription</u> (C)

For End User Access Service, Digital Subscriber (C) Line Access Service and Presubscription Service. (C) the Telephone Company will establish a bill day each month for each end user account or advise the customer in writing of an alternate billing schedule. Alternate billing schedules shall not be established on less than 60 days notice or initiated by the Telephone Company more than twice in any consecutive 12-month period. The bill will cover End User Access Service and Digital Subscriber (C) Line Access Service charges for the ensuing billing (C) period except for End User Access Service and Digital Subscriber Line Access Service for (C)

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2.	General	Regulations	(Cont'd

- 2.4 Payment Arrangements and Credit Allowances (Cont'd)
 - 2.4.1 Payment of Rates, Charges and Deposits (Cont'd)
 - (B) <u>Bill Dates</u> (Cont'd)
 - (1) End User Access Service and Presubscription (Cont'd)

the Federal Government which will be billed in arrears. Any applicable Presubscription Charges, any known unbilled charges for prior periods and any known unbilled adjustments for prior periods for End User Access Service, Digital Subscriber Line Access Service and Presubscription Service will be applied to this bill. Such bills are due when rendered.

(2) Access Services Other Than End User, (C)

Digital Subscriber Line and (C)

Presubscription

For Service other than End User Access Service, Digital Subscriber Line Access Service and Presubscription Service, the Telephone Company will establish a bill day each month for each customer account or advise the customer in writing of an alternate billing schedule. Alternate billing schedules shall not be established on less than 60 days notice or initiated by the Telephone Company more than twice in any consecutive 12-month period.

The bill will cover nonusage sensitive service charges for the ensuing billing period for which the bill is rendered, any known unbilled nonusage sensitive charges for prior periods and unbilled

- 2. <u>General Regulations</u> (Cont'd)
 - 2.4 Payment Arrangements and Credit Allowances (Cont'd)
 - 2.4.1 Payment of Rates, Charges and Deposits (Cont'd)
 - (B) <u>Bill Dates</u> (Cont'd)
 - (2) Access Services Other Than End User, (C)

 Digital Subscriber Line and Presubscription (C)

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usage charges for the period after the last bill day through the current bill day. Any known unbilled usage charges for prior periods and any known unbilled adjustments will be applied to this bill. Payment for such bills is due in immediately available funds by the payment date, as set forth in (C) following. If payment is not received by the payment date, a late payment penalty will apply as set forth in (C) following.

- (C) Payment Dates and Late Payment Penalties
 - (1) All bills dated as set forth in (B)(2) preceding for service, other than End User Service, Digital Subscriber Line Access Service and (C) Presubscription Service, provided to the customer by the Telephone Company are due 31 days (payment date) after the bill day or by the next bill date (i.e., same date in the following month as the bill date),

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- 2. <u>General Regulations</u> (Cont'd)
 - 2.4 Payment Arrangements and Credit Allowances (Cont'd)
 - 2.4.1 Payment of Rates, Charges and Deposits (Cont'd)
 - (C) Payment Dates and Late Payment Penalties (Cont'd)
 - (1) whichever is the shortest interval, except as provided herein, and are payable in immediately available funds. If the customer does not receive a bill at least 20 days prior to the 31-day payment due date, then the bill shall be considered delayed. When the bill has been delayed, upon request of the customer the due date will be extended by the number of days the bill was delayed. Such request of the customer must be accompanied with proof of late bill receipt. (M)

If such payment date would cause payment to be due on a Saturday, Sunday or Legal Holiday, payment for such bills will be due from the customer as follows:

 If the payment date falls on a Sunday or on a Legal Holiday which is observed on a Monday, the payment date shall be the first non-Holiday day following such Sunday or Legal Holiday.



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- 2. General Regulations (Cont'd)
 - 2.4 Payment Arrangements and Credit Allowances (Cont'd)
 - (C) Payment Dates and Late Payment Penalties (Cont'd)
 - If the payment date falls on a Saturday or on a Legal Holiday which is observed on Tuesday, Wednesday, Thursday or Friday, the payment date shall be the last non-Holiday day preceding such Saturday or Legal Holiday.
 - (2) Further, if no payment is received by the payment date or if a payment or any portion of a payment is received by the Telephone Company after the payment date as set forth in (1) preceding, or if a payment or any portion of a payment is received by the Telephone Company in funds which are not immediately available to the Telephone Company, then a late payment penalty shall be due to the Telephone Company. The late payment penalty shall be the payment or the portion of the payment not received by the payment date times a late factor. The late factor shall be the lesser of:

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- 2. General Regulations (Cont' d)
 - 2.4 Payment Arrangements and Credit Allowances (Cont' d)
 - 2.4.1 Payment of Rates, Charges and Deposits (Cont' d)
 - (C) Payment Dates and Late Payment Penalties (Cont' d)
 - (2) (Cont' d)
 - (a) the highest interest rate (in decimal value) which may be levied by law for commercial transactions, compounded daily for the number of days from the payment date to and including the date that the customer actually makes the payment to the Telephone Company, or
 - (b) 0.000292 per day, compounded daily for the number of days from the payment date to and including the date that the customer actually makes the payment to the Telephone Company.
 - (D) <u>Billing Disputes Resolved in Favor of the Telephone Company</u>

Late payment charges will apply to amounts withheld pending settlement of the dispute. Late payment charges are calculated as set forth in (C)(2) preceding except that when the customer disputes the bill on or before the payment date and pays the undisputed amount on or before the payment date, the penalty interest period shall not begin until 10 days following the payment date.

- 2. General Regulations (Cont'd)
 - 2.4 Payment Arrangements and Credit Allowances (Cont'd)
 - 2.4.1 Payment of Rates, Charges and Deposits (Cont'd)
 - (E) <u>Billing Disputes Resolved in Favor of the Customer</u>

If the customer pays the total billed amount and disputes all or part of the amount, the Telephone Company will refund any overpayment. In addition, the Telephone Company will pay to the customer penalty interest on the overpayment. When a claim is filed within 90 days of the due date, the penalty interest period shall begin on the payment date. When a claim is filed more than 90 days after the due date, the penalty interest period shall begin from the date of the claim or the date of overpayment, whichever is later.

The penalty interest period shall end on the date that the Telephone Company actually refunds the overpayment to the customer. The penalty interest rate shall be the lesser of:

- (1) the highest interest rate (in decimal value) which may be levied by law for commercial transactions, compounded daily for the number of days from the first date to and including the last date of the period involved, or
- (2) 0.000292 per day, compounded daily for the number of days from the first date to and including the last date of the period involved.

2. General Regulations (Cont'd)

2.4 Payment Arrangements and Credit Allowances (Cont'd)

2.4.1 Payment of Rates, Charges and Deposits (Cont'd)

(F) Proration of Charges

Adjustments for the quantities of services established or discontinued in any billing period beyond the minimum period set forth for services in other sections of this tariff will be prorated to the number of days based on a 30-day month. The Telephone Company will, upon request, furnish within 30 days of a request and at no charge to the customer such detailed information as may reasonably be required for verification of any bill.

(G) Rounding of Charges

When a rate as set forth in this tariff is shown to more than two decimal places, the charges will be determined using the rate shown. The resulting amount will then be rounded to the nearest penny (i.e., rounded to two decimal places).

2.4.2 Minimum Periods

The minimum period for which services are provided and for which rates and charges are applicable is one month except for those usage rate services set forth in Section 6 (Switched Access Service) and 9 (Directory Assistance Service) and those services set forth in 6.1.3 (Switched Access High Capacity DS3 Entrance Facility and High Capacity DS3 Direct Trunked Transport), 7.2.4 (Part-time Video and Program Audio), and 7.2.7 (High Capacity DS1 and DS3 Service), or as otherwise specified.

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2. General Regulations (Cont'd)

2.4 Payment Arrangements and Credit Allowances (Cont'd)

2.4.2 <u>Minimum Periods</u> (Cont'd)

The minimum period for which service is provided and for which rates and charges are applicable for a Specialized Service or Arrangement provided on an individual case basis as set forth in Section 12. following, is one month unless a different minimum period is established with the individual case filing.

When a service is discontinued prior to the expiration of the minimum period, charges are applicable, whether the service is used or not, as follows:

- (A) When a service with a one month minimum period is discontinued prior to the expiration of the minimum period, a one month charge will apply at the rate level in effect at the time service is discontinued.
- (B) When a service with a minimum period greater than one month is discontinued prior to the expiration of the minimum period, the applicable charge will be the lesser of (1) the Telephone Company's total nonrecoverable costs less the net salvage value for the discontinued service or (2) the total monthly charges, at the rate level in effect at the time service is discontinued, for the remainder of the minimum period.

2.4.3 Cancellation of an Order for Service

Provisions for the cancellation of an order for service are set forth in other applicable sections of this tariff.

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2. General Regulations (Cont'd)

2.4 Payment Arrangements and Credit Allowances (Cont'd)

2.4.4 Credit Allowance for Service Interruptions

(A) General

A service is interrupted when it becomes unusable to the customer because of a failure of a facility component used to furnish service under this tariff or in the event that the protective controls applied by the Telephone Company result in the complete loss of service to the customer as set forth in 6.2.1 following. An interruption period starts when an inoperative service is reported to the Telephone Company, and ends when the service is operative.

(B) When a Credit Allowance Applies

In case of an interruption to any service, allowance for the period of interruption, if not due to the negligence of the customer, shall be provided.

For Digital Data Access, D1 through D4 and High Capacity, HC1, Special Access Services, any period during which the error performance is below that specified for the service will be considered as an interruption.

Service interruptions for Specialized Service or Arrangements provided under Section 12 following shall be administered in the same manner as those set forth in this section (2.4.4) unless other regulations are specified with the individual case filing.

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- 2.4 Payment Arrangements and Credit Allowances (Cont'd)
 - 2.4.4 <u>Credit Allowance for Service Interruptions</u> (Cont'd)
 - (B) When a Credit Allowance Applies (Cont'd)

Credit allowances are computed as follows:

(1) Special Access Service other than Program
Audio and Video, flat rated Switched Access
Service and Digital Subscriber Line Access
(C)
Service rate elements
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For Special Access Services other than Program Audio and Video Services, and for flat rated Switched Access Service rate elements (i.e., Entrance Facility, Direct Trunked Transport and Multiplexing), and for Digital Subscriber Line (C) Access Service, no credit shall be allowed for an interruption of less than 30 minutes. The customer shall be credited for an interruption of 30 minutes or more at the rate of 1/1440 of the monthly charges for the facility or service for each period of 30 minutes or major fraction thereof that the interruption continues.

The monthly charges used to determine the credit shall be as follows:

(a) <u>Two-point Services</u>

For two-point services, the monthly charge shall be the total of all the monthly rate element charges associated with the service (i.e., two channel terminations, channel mileage and optional features and functions).

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- 2.4 Payment Arrangements and Credit Allowances (Cont'd)
 - 2.4.4 Credit Allowance for Service Interruptions (Cont'd)
 - (B) When a Credit Allowance Applies (Cont'd)
 - (1) Special Access Service other than Program Audio and Video, Digital Subscriber Line Access Service (C) and flat rated Switched Access Service rate elements (Cont'd) (C)

(b) <u>Multipoint Services</u>

For multipoint services, the monthly charge shall be only the total of all the monthly rate element charges associated with that portion of the service that is inoperative (i.e., a channel termination per customer designated premises, channel mileage and optional features and functions).

(c) Multiplexed Services

For multiplexed services, the monthly charge shall be the total of all the monthly rate element charges associated with that portion of the service that is inoperative. When the facility which is multiplexed or the multiplexer itself is inoperative, the monthly charge shall be the total of all the monthly rate element charges associated with the service to the hub and any individual services from the hub. For Special Access those charges include Channel Termination, Channel Mileage and optional features and function. For Switched Access, those charges include Entrance Facility, Direct Trunked Transport Multiplexing, and optional features and functions.

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- 2. General Regulations (Cont'd)
 - 2.4 Payment Arrangements and Credit Allowances (Cont'd)
 - 2.4.4 <u>Credit Allowance for Service Interruptions</u> (Cont'd)
 - (B) When a Credit Allowance Applies (Cont'd)

Special Access Service other than Program Audio and Video,
Digital Subscriber Line Access Service and flat rated
Switched Access Service rate elements (Cont' d)

(c) <u>Multiplexed Services</u> (Cont'd)

When the service which rides a channel of the multiplexed facility is inoperative, the monthly charge shall be the total of all the monthly rate element charges associated with that portion of the service from the hub or wire center equipped for Add/Drop Multiplexing to a customer premises, Telephone Company central office or WATS office.

(d) <u>Flat rated Switched Access Service and Digital</u> Subscriber Line Access Service rate elements

For flat rated Switched Access Service rate elements, the monthly charge shall be the total of all the monthly rate element charges associated with the service (i.e., Entrance Facility, Direct Trunked Transport and Multiplexing).

For flat rated Digital Subscriber Line Access Service, the monthly charge shall be the total of the monthly rate element charge for the Digital Subscriber Line Access Service.

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- 2. General Regulations (Cont'd)
 - 2.4 Payment Arrangements and Credit Allowances (Cont'd)
 - 2.4.4 <u>Credit Allowance for Service Interruptions</u> (Cont'd)
 - (B) When a Credit Allowance Applies (Cont'd)
 - For Program Audio and Video Special Access Services, no credit shall be allowed for an interruption

(2) Program Audio and Video Special Access Services

Services, no credit shall be allowed for an interruption of less than 30 seconds. The customer shall be credited for an interruption of 30 seconds or more as follows:

(a) For two-point services, when monthly rates are applicable, the credit shall be at the rate of 1/8640 of the monthly charges for the service for each period of 5 minutes or fraction thereof that the interruption continues.

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- 2. General Regulations (Cont'd)
 - 2.4 Payment Arrangements and Credit Allowances (Cont'd)
 - 2.4.4 <u>Credit Allowance for Service Interruptions</u> (Cont'd)
 - (B) When a Credit Allowance Applies (Cont'd)
 - (2) <u>Program Audio and Video Special Access Services</u> (Cont'd)
 - (b) For two-point services, when daily rates are applicable, the credit shall be at the rate of 1/288 of the daily charges for the service for each period of 5 minutes or fraction thereof that the interruption continues.
 - (c) For multipoint services, when monthly rates are applicable, the credit shall be at the rate of 1/8640 of the monthly charges for each channel termination, channel mileage and optional features and functions that are inoperative for each period of 5 minutes or fraction thereof that the interruption continues.
 - (d) For multipoint services, when daily rates are applicable, the credit shall be at the daily rate of 1/288 of the daily charges for channel termination, channel mileage and optional features and functions that are inoperative for each period of 5 minutes or fraction thereof that the interruption continues.

- 2. General Regulations (Cont'd)
 - 2.4 Payment Arrangements and Credit Allowances (Cont'd)
 - 2.4.4 <u>Credit Allowance for Service Interruptions</u> (Cont'd)
 - (B) When a Credit Allowance Applies (Cont'd)
 - (2) <u>Program Audio and Video Special Access Services</u> (Cont'd)
 - (e) For multipoint services, the credit for the monthly or daily charges includes the charges for the distribution amplifier only when the distribution amplifier is inoperative.
 - (f) When two or more interruptions occur during a period of 5 consecutive minutes, such multiple interruptions shall be considered as one interruption.
 - (3) <u>Switched Access and Directory Assistance Service Usage</u>
 <u>Rated Elements</u>

For Switched Access Service and Directory Assistance Service Usage Rated Elements no credit shall be allowed for an interruption of less than 24 hours. The customer shall be credited for an interruption of 24 hours or more at the rate of 1/30 of any applicable monthly rate or assumed minutes of use charge for each period of 24 hours or major fraction thereof that the interruption continues.

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- 2. General Regulations (Cont'd)
 - 2.4 Payment Arrangements and Credit Allowances (Cont'd)
 - 2.4.4 <u>Credit Allowance for Service Interruptions</u> (Cont'd)
 - (B) When a Credit Allowance Applies (Cont'd)
 - (4) Credit Allowances Cannot Exceed Monthly Rate

The credit allowance(s) for an interruption or for a series of interruptions shall not exceed any monthly rate for the service interrupted in any one monthly billing period.

(C) When a Credit Allowance Does Not Apply

No credit allowance will be made for:

- (1) Interruptions caused by the negligence of the customer.
- (2) Interruptions of a service due to the failure of equipment or systems provided by the customer or others.
- (3) Interruptions of a service during any period in which the Telephone Company is not afforded access to the premises where the service is terminated.

- 2. General Regulations (Cont'd)
 - 2.4 Payment Arrangements and Credit Allowances (Cont'd)
 - 2.4.4 <u>Credit Allowance for Service Interruptions</u> (Cont'd)
 - (C) When a Credit Allowance Does Not Apply (Cont'd)
 - (4) Interruptions of a service when the customer has released that service to the Telephone Company for maintenance purposes, to make rearrangements, or for the implementation of an order for a change in the service during the time that was negotiated with the customer prior to the release of that service. Thereafter, a credit allowance as set forth in (B) preceding applies.
 - (5) Interruptions of a service which continue because of the failure of the customer to authorize replacement of any element of special construction, as set forth in Section 15. The period for which no credit allowance is made begins on the seventh day after the customer receives the Telephone Company's written notification of the need for such replacement and ends on the day after receipt by the Telephone Company of the customer's written authorization for such replacement.
 - (6) Periods when the customer elects not to release the service for testing and/or repair and continues to use it on an impaired basis.

- 2. General Regulations (Cont'd)
 - 2.4 Payment Arrangements and Credit Allowances (Cont'd)
 - 2.4.4 <u>Credit Allowance for Service Interruptions</u> (Cont'd)
 - (C) When a Credit Allowance Does Not Apply (Cont'd)
 - (7) An interruption or a group of interruptions, resulting from a common cause, that would result in credit in an amount less than one dollar.
 - (D) <u>Use of an Alternative Service Provided by the Telephone</u> <u>Company</u>

Should the customer elect to use an alternative service provided by the Telephone Company during the period that a service is interrupted, the customer must pay the tariffed rates and charges for the alternative service used.

(E) Temporary Surrender of a Service

In certain instances, the customer may be requested by the Telephone Company to surrender a service for purposes other than maintenance, testing or activity relating to a service order. If the customer consents, a credit allowance will be granted. The credit allowance will be 1/1440 of the monthly rate for each period of 30 minutes or fraction thereof that the service is surrendered. In no case will the credit allowance exceed the monthly rate for the service surrendered in any one monthly billing period.

2. General Regulations (Cont'd)

2.4 Payment Arrangements and Credit Allowances (Cont'd)

2.4.5 Re-establishment of Service Following Fire, Flood or Other Occurrence

(A) Nonrecurring Charges Do Not Apply

Charges do not apply for the re-establishment of service following a fire, flood or other occurrence attributed to an Act of God provided that:

- (1) The service is of the same type as was provided prior to the fire, flood or other occurrence.
- (2) The service is for the same customer.
- (3) The service is at the same location on the same premises.
- (4) The re-establishment of service begins within 60 days after Telephone Company service is available. The 60-day period may be extended a reasonable period if the renovation of the original location on the premises affected is not practical within the allotted time period).

(B) Nonrecurring Charges Apply

Nonrecurring Charges apply for establishing service at a different location on the same premises or at a different premises pending re-establishment of service at the original location.

2. General Regulations (Cont'd)

2.4 Payment Arrangements and Credit Allowances (Cont'd)

2.4.6 <u>Title or Ownership Rights</u>

The payment of rates and charges by customers for the services offered under the provisions of this tariff does not assign, confer or transfer title or ownership rights to proposals or facilities developed or utilized, respectively, by the Telephone Company in the provision of such services.

2.4.7 Access Services Provided By More Than One Telephone Company

When an Access Service is provided by more than one Telephone Company, the Telephone Companies involved will mutually agree upon one of the billing methods as set forth in (A) (1) and (2) following based upon the service being provided. The Telephone Companies will notify the customer in writing of the billing method being used. The customer will place the order for the service as set forth in 5.3 following dependent upon the billing method.

(A) Meet Point Billing

Meet Point Billing is required when an access service is provided by multiple Telephone Companies for Special Access.

Each Telephone Company jointly providing the access service will receive an order or a copy of the order from the customer as specified in 5.3 following and arrange to provide the service.

- 2. General Regulations (Cont'd)
 - 2.4 Payment Arrangements and Credit Allowances (Cont'd)
 - 2.4.7 <u>Access Services Provided By More Than One Telephone Company</u> (Cont'd)
 - (A) Meet Point Billing (Cont'd)

There is one Meet Point Billing Option, Multiple Bill. This billing option is explained following.

Each telephone company must provide meet point billing notification to the customer, in writing, when new service is ordered or thirty days prior to changing an existing meet point arrangement. The notification should include the following:

- The Meet Point Billing Option that will be used,
- The Telephone Company(s) that will render the bill(s)
- The Telephone Company(s) to whom payment(s) should be remitted, and
- The Telephone Company(s) that will provide the bill inquiry function.

A Telephone Company that renders a meet point bill, the Bill Rendering Company, will render the bill in accordance with the industry standards as described in the Multiple Exchange Carrier Access Billing (MECAB) Guidelines and the Multiple Exchange Carrier Ordering and Design (MECOD) Guidelines. The bill will include cross reference(s) to the other Telephone Company(s) providing service and common circuit identifiers.

- 2. General Regulations (Cont'd)
 - 2.4 Payment Arrangements and Credit Allowances (Cont'd)
 - 2.4.7 <u>Access Services Provided By More Than One Telephone Company</u> (Cont'd)
 - (A) Meet Point Billing (Cont'd)
 - (1) Multiple Bill Option

Under the Multiple Bill Option each company providing the access service will render an access bill to the customer for its portion of the service based on its access tariff rates and regulations. Each company will:

- prepare its own bill;
- determine its charge(s) for Channel Mileage as set forth in (3) following;
- determine and include all other recurring and nonrecurring rates and charges of its access tariff;
- reflect its Billing Account Reference (BAR) and all connecting company Billing Account Cross Reference (BACR) code(s);
- forward its bill to the customer.

The customer will remit payment directly to each Bill Rendering Company.

- 2. General Regulations (Cont'd)
 - 2.4 Payment Arrangements and Credit Allowances (Cont'd)
 - 2.4.7 <u>Access Services Provided By More Than One Telephone Company</u> (Cont'd)
 - (A) Meet Point Billing (Cont'd)
 - (2) <u>Determination of Meet Point Billed Channel Mileage</u>
 <u>Charges</u>

Each Telephone Company's portion of the Channel mileage will be determined as follows:

- (a) Determine the appropriate Channel Mileage by computing the number of airline miles between the Telephone Company premises serving wire centers for Special Access using the V&H method.
- (b) Determine the billing percentage (BP), as set forth in NATIONAL EXCHANGE CARRIER ASSOCIATION, INC. TARIFF F.C.C. NO. 4, which represents the portion of the service provided by each Telephone Company.
- (c) For Special Access, multiply the number of airline miles, as set forth in (a) preceding, times the BP for each Telephone Company, as set forth in (b) preceding, times the Channel Mileage Facility rate and add the Channel Mileage Termination rate.

- 2. General Regulations (Cont'd)
 - 2.4 Payment Arrangements and Credit Allowances (Cont'd)
 - 2.4.7 <u>Access Services Provided By More Than One Telephone</u> <u>Company</u> (Cont'd)
 - (A) Meet Point Billing (Cont'd)
 - (2) <u>Determination of Meet Point Billed Channel Mileage</u>
 Charges
 - (c) (Cont'd)

The Special Access Channel Mileage Termination rate and nonrecurring charges are applied as set forth in 7.2.1(B)(2) and 7.2.2(C) following. (Note: The BP is not applied to either the Channel Mileage Termination Recurring Rate or any Nonrecurring Charge.)

2.5 <u>Connections</u>

Equipment and Systems (i.e., terminal equipment, multiline terminating systems and communications systems) may be connected with Switched, Digital Subscriber Line and Special Access (C) Service furnished by the Telephone Company where such connection is made in accordance with the provisions specified in Technical Reference Publication AS No. 1 and in 2.1 preceding.

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2. General Regulations (Cont'd)

2.6 Definitions

Certain terms used herein are defined as follows:

800 Data Base Access Service

The term "800 Data Base Access Service" denotes a service which uses a data base system to identify 800 access customers on a10-digit basis. For purposes of administering the rules and regulations set forth in this tariff regarding the provision of 800 Database Access, except where otherwise specified, 800 Database Access Service shall include the following service access codes 800, 888, 877, 866, 855, 844, 833, and 822.

800 Series

The term 800 series denotes the service access codes of 800, 888, 877, 866, 855, 844, 833, and 822.

Access Code

The term "Access Code", denotes a uniform five or seven digit access code assigned by the Telephone Company to an individual customer. The five-digit access code has the form 10XXX, and the seven digit code has the form 950-1XXX or 950-0XXX.

Access Minutes

For the purpose of calculating chargeable usage, the term "Access Minutes" denotes customer usage of exchange facilities in the provision of interstate or foreign service. On the originating end of an interstate or foreign call, usage is measured from the time the originating end user's call is delivered by the Telephone Company to and acknowledged as received by the customer's facilities connected with the originating exchange. On the terminating end of an interstate or foreign call, usage is measured from the time the call is received by the end user in the terminating exchange. Timing of usage at both originating and terminating ends of an interstate or foreign call shall terminate when the calling or called party disconnects, whichever event is recognized first in the originating and terminating exchanges, as applicable.

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2. General Regulations (Cont'd)

2.6 <u>Definitions</u> (Cont'd)

Access Tandem

The term "Access Tandem" denotes a Telephone Company or centralized equal access provider switching system that provides a concentration and distribution function for originating or terminating traffic between end offices and a customer designated premises.

Actual Cost Special Construction

The term "Actual Cost" denotes all costs charged against a specific case of special construction, including any appropriate taxes.

Annual Underutilization Liability Special Construction

The term "Annual Underutilization Liability" denotes a per unit amount which may be billed annually if fewer services are in use utilizing specially constructed facilities at filed tariff rates than were originally constructed.

Answer/Disconnect Supervision

The term "Answer/Disconnect Supervision" denotes the transmission of the switch trunk equipment supervisory signal (off-hook or on-hook) to the customer's point of termination as an indication that the called party has answered or disconnected.

Attenuation Distortion

The term "Attenuation Distortion" denotes the difference in loss at specified frequencies relative to the loss at 1004 Hz, unless otherwise specified.

2. General Regulations (Cont'd)

2.6 <u>Definitions</u> (Cont'd)

Balance (100 Type) Test Line

The term "Balance (100 Type) Test Line" denotes an arrangement in an end office which provides for balance and noise testing.

<u>Bit</u>

The term "Bit" denotes the smallest unit of information in the binary system of notation.

Business Day

The term "Business Day" denotes the times of day that a company is open for business. Anchorage Telephone Utility's Business Day hours are 8:30 a.m. to 5:30 p.m., Monday through Friday.

Call

The term "Call" denotes a customer attempt for which complete address information (e.g., 0-, 911, or 10 digits) is provided to the serving dial tone office.

Carrier or Common Carrier

See Interexchange Carrier.

2. General Regulations (Cont'd)

2.6 Definitions (Cont'd)

CCS

The term "CCS" denotes a hundred call seconds, which is a standard unit of traffic load that is equal to 100 seconds of usage or capacity of a group of servers (e.g., trunks).

Central Office

See End Office.

Central Office Maintenance Technician

The term "Central Office Maintenance Technician" denotes a Telephone Company employee who performs installation and/or repair work, including testing and trouble isolation, within the Telephone Company Central Office.

Central Office Prefix

The term "Central Office Prefix" denotes the first three digits (NXX) of the seven digit telephone number assigned to a customer's Telephone Exchange Service when dialed on a local basis.

Channel(s)

The term "Channel(s)" denotes an electrical or photonic, in the case of fiber optic-based transmission systems, communications path between two or more points of termination.

2. General Regulations (Cont'd)

2.6 <u>Definitions</u> (Cont'd)

Channel Service Unit

The term "Channel Service Unit" denotes equipment which performs one or more of the following functions: termination of a digital facility, regeneration of digital signals, detection and/or correction of signal format error, and remote loop back.

Channelize

The term "Channelize" denotes the process of multiplexing-demultiplexing wider bandwidth or higher speed channels into narrower bandwidth or lower speed channels.

Clear Channel Capability

The term "Clear Channel Capability" denotes the ability to transport twenty-four 64 kbps channels over a DS1 1.544 Mbps High Capacity service via a B8ZS line code format.

C-Message Noise

The term "C-Message Noise" denotes the frequency weighted average noise within an idle voice channel. The frequency weighting, called C-message, is used to simulate the frequency characteristic of the 500-type telephone set and the hearing of the average subscriber.

C-Notched Noise

The term "C-Notched Noise" denotes the C-message frequency weighted noise on a voice channel with a holding tone, which is removed at the measuring end through a notch (very narrow band) filter.



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2. General Regulations (Cont'd)

2.6 <u>Definitions</u> (Cont'd)

Common Line

The term "Common Line" denotes a line, trunk, pay telephone line or other facility provided under the general and/or local exchange service tariffs of the Telephone Company, terminated on a central office switch. A common line-residence is a line or trunk provided under the residence regulations of the general and/or local exchange service tariffs. A common line-business is a line provided under the business regulations of the general and/or local exchange service tariffs.

Common Channel Signaling

The term "Common Channel Signaling" (CCS) denotes a high speed packet switched communications network which is separate (out of band) from the public packet switched and message networks. Its purpose is to carry addressed signaling messages for individual trunk circuits and/or database related services between signaling points in the CCS network.

Communications System

The term "Communications System" denotes channels and other facilities which are capable of communications between terminal equipment provided by other than the Telephone Company.

Consumer Digital Subscriber Line (CDSL)

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The term "Consumer Digital Subscriber Line" (CDSL) denotes an access technology that allows voice and high speed data to be sent simultaneously over local exchange service copper facilities. CDSL supports a maximum downstream speed of 1.280 mbps (from ATU's network) and a maximum upstream data rate (to ATU's network) of 320 kbps.

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2. General Regulations (Cont'd)

2.6 <u>Definitions</u> (Cont'd)

Customer(s) (M)*

The term "Customer(s)" denotes any individual, partnership, association, joint-stock company, trust, corporation, or governmental entity or other entity which subscribes to the services offered under this tariff, including both Interexchange Carriers (ICs) and End Users.

Customer Designated Premises

The term "Customer Designated Premises" denotes the premises specified by the customer for the provision of Access Service.

Data Transmission (107 Type) Test Line

The term "Data Transmission (107 Type) Test Line" denotes an arrangement which provides for a connection to a signal source which provides test signals for one-way testing of data and voice transmission parameters.

Decibel

The term "Decibel" denotes a unit used to express relative difference in power, usually between acoustic or electric signals, equal to ten (10) times the common logarithm of the ratio of two signal powers.

Decibel Reference Noise C-Message Weighting

The term "Decibel Reference Noise C-Message Weighting" denotes noise power measurements with C-Message Weighting in decibels relative to a reference 1000 Hz tone of 90 dB below 1 milliwatt.

Decibel Reference Noise C-Message Referenced to O

The term "Decibel Reference Noise C-Message Referenced to O" denotes noise power in "Decibel Reference Noise C-Message Weighting" referred to or measured at a zero transmission level point.

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2. General Regulations (Cont'd)

2.6 <u>Definitions</u> (Cont'd)

Destination Point Code (N)

The term "Destination Point Code" denotes a routing label that identifies where the CCS/SS7 signaling message should be sent.

Detail Billing

The term "Detail Billing" denotes the listing of each message and/or rate element for which charges to a customer are due on a bill prepared by the Telephone Company.

Digital Subscriber Line (DSL)

The term "Digital Subscriber Line" (DSL) denotes an access technology that allows simultaneous voice and high speed data to be sent over local exchange service copper facilities.

Digital Switched 56 Service

A switched access optional feature available with Feature Group D Access, which provides for data transmission at up to 56 Kilobits or per second.

Direct-Trunked Transport

The term "Direct-Trunked Transport" denotes transport from the serving wire center to the end office or from the serving wire center to the access tandem on circuits dedicated to the use of a single customer.

Directory Assistance (Interstate)

The term "Directory Assistance" denotes the provision of telephone numbers by a Telephone Company operator when the operator location is accessed by a customer by dialing NPA + 555-1212 or 555-1212.

Directory Assistance Location (Interstate)

The term "Directory Assistance Location" denotes a Telephone Company office where telephone company equipment first receives the Directory Assistance call from the customer's end user and selects the first operator position to respond to the Directory Assistance call.

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2. General Regulations (Cont'd)

2.6 <u>Definitions</u> (Cont'd)

<u>Donor Switch</u> (N)

The term "Donor Switch" denotes the original switch source of a portable NXX code. (N)

<u>Dual Tone Multifrequency Address Signaling</u>

The term "Dual Tone Multifrequency Address Signaling" denotes a type of signaling that is an optional feature of Switched Access Feature Group A. It may be utilized when Feature Group A is being used in the terminating direction (from the point of termination with the customer to the local exchange end office). An office arranged for Dual Tone Multifrequency Address Signaling would expect to receive address signals from the customer in the form of Dual Tone Multifrequency signals.

Echo Control

The term "Echo Control" denotes the control of reflected signals in a telephone transmission path.

Echo Path Loss

The term "Echo Path Loss" denotes the measure of reflected signal at a 4-wire point of interface without regard to the send and receive Transmission Level Point.

Echo Return Loss

The term "Echo Return Loss" denotes a frequency weighted measure of return loss over the middle of the voiceband (approximately 500 to 2500 Hz), where talker echo is most annoying.

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2. General Regulations (Cont'd)

2.6 <u>Definitions</u> (Cont'd)

Effective 2-Wire

The term "Effective 2-Wire" denotes a condition which permits the simultaneous transmission in both directions over a channel, but it is not possible to insure independent information transmission in both directions. Effective 2-wire channels may be terminated with 2-wire or 4-wire interfaces.

Effective 4-Wire

The term "Effective 4-Wire" denotes a condition which permits the simultaneous independent transmission of information in both directions over a channel. The method of implementing effective 4-wire transmission is at the discretion of the Telephone Company (physical, time domain, frequency-domain separation or echo cancellation techniques). Effective 4-wire channels may be terminated with a 2-wire interface at the customer's premises. However, when terminated 2-wire, simultaneous independent transmission cannot be supported because the two wire interface combines the transmission paths into a single path.

End Office

The term "End Office" denotes a local Telephone Company switching system where Telephone Exchange Service customer station loops are terminated for purposes of interconnection to each other and to trunks. This term includes Remote Switching Modules/Systems served by a Host Central Office in a different wire center.

2. General Regulations (Cont'd)

2.6 <u>Definitions</u> (Cont'd)

End User

The term "End User" means any customer of an interstate or foreign telecommunications service that is not a carrier, except that a carrier other than a telephone company shall be deemed to be an "end user" when such carrier uses a telecommunications service for administrative purposes, and a person or entity that offers telecommunications service exclusively as a reseller shall be deemed to be an "end user" if all resale transmissions offered by such reseller originate on the premises of such reseller.

Enhanced Service

The term "Enhanced Service", as defined in Part 64 of the F.C.C.'s Rules and Regulations, are services "... offered over common carrier transmission facilities used in interstate communications, which employ computer processing applications that act on the format, content, code, protocol or similar aspects of the subscriber's transmitted information; provide the subscriber additional, different, or restructured information; or involve subscriber interaction with stored information."

Entrance Facility (S)*

The term "Entrance Facility" denotes a Switched Access Service dedicated Local Transport facility between the customer's serving wire center and the customer designated premises.

Entry Switch

See First Point of Switching.

Envelope Delay Distortion

The term "Envelope Delay Distortion" denotes a measure of the linearity of the phase versus frequency of a channel.

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2. General Regulations (Cont'd)

2.6 <u>Definitions</u> (Cont'd)

Equal Level Echo Path Loss

The term "Equal Level Echo Path Loss" (ELEPL) denotes the measure of Echo Path Loss (EPL) at a 4-wire interface which is corrected by the difference between the send and receive Transmission Level Point (TLP). [ELEPL = EPL - TLP (send) + TLP (receive)].

Estimated Cost Special Construction

The term "Estimated Cost" denotes all estimated costs that will be incurred in providing a specific case of special construction, including any appropriate taxes.

Exchange

The term "Exchange" denotes a unit established by the Telephone Company for the administration of communications service in a specified area which usually embraces a city, town or village and its environs. It consists of one or more central offices together with the associated facilities used in furnishing communications service within that area. The exchange includes any Extended Area Service area that is an enlargement of a Telephone Company's exchange area to include nearby exchanges.

Exit Message

The term "Exit Message" denotes an SS7 message sent to an end office by the Telephone Company's tandem switch to mark the Carrier Connect Time when the Telephone Company's tandem switch sends an Initial Address Message to an interexchange customer.

2. <u>General Regulations</u> (Cont'd)

2.6 <u>Definitions</u> (Cont'd)

Expected Measured Loss

The term "Expected Measured Loss" denotes a calculated loss which specifies the end-toend 1004-Hz loss on a terminated test connection between two readily accessible manual or remote test points. It is the sum of the inserted connection loss and test access loss including any test pads.

Extended Area Service

See Exchange.

Facilities Special Construction

The term "Facilities" denotes any cable, poles, conduit, microwave or carrier equipment, wire center distribution frames, central office switching equipment etc., utilized to provide interstate services.

First Point of Switching

The term "First Point of Switching" denotes the first Telephone Company location at which switching occurs on the terminating path of a call proceeding from the customer designated premises to the terminating end office and, at the same time, the last Telephone Company location at which switching occurs on the originating path of a call proceeding from the originating end office to the customer designated premises.

Frequency Shift

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The term "Frequency Shift" denotes the change in the frequency of a tone as it is transmitted over a channel.

Global Title (N)

An address such as customer–dialed digits that does not explicitly contain information that would allow routing in the SS7 signaling network, that is, the Global Title Translation function is required.

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2. <u>General Regulations (Cont'd)</u>

2.6 <u>Definitions (Cont'd)</u>

Global Title Translation

The process of translating a Global Title from dialed digits to a point code (network node) address and application address (subsystem number). This process is accomplished by the STP (Signal Transfer Point) in the SS7 network.

Grandfathered

The term "Grandfathered" denotes Terminal Equipment, Multiline Terminating Systems and Protective Circuitry directly connected to the facilities utilized to provide services under the provisions of this tariff, and which are considered grandfathered under Part 68 of the F.C.C.'s Rules and Regulations.

Host Central Office

The term "Host Central Office" denotes an electronic local Telephone Company End Office where Telephone Exchange Service customer station loops are terminated for purposes of interconnection to each other and to trunks. Additionally, this type of End Office contains the central call processing functions which service itself and its Remote Switching Modules/Systems.

Hub

A wire center at which bridging or multiplexing functions are performed for customers served out of any wire center.

Immediately Available Funds

The term "Immediately Available Funds" denotes a corporate or personal check drawn on a bank account and funds which are available for use by the receiving party on the same day on which they are received and include U.S. Federal Reserve bank wire transfers, U.S. Federal Reserve notes (paper cash), U.S. coins, U.S. Postal Money Orders and New York Certificates of Deposit.

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2. General Regulations (Cont'd)

2.6 <u>Definitions</u> (Cont'd)

Impedance Balance

The term "Impedance Balance" denotes the method of expressing Echo Return Loss and Singing Return Loss at a 4-wire interface whereby the gains and/or loss of the 4 wire portion of the transmission path, including the hybrid, are not included in the specification.

Impulse Noise

The term "Impulse Noise" denotes any momentary occurrence of the noise on a channel over a specified level threshold. It is evaluated by counting the number of occurrences which exceed the threshold.

Individual Case Basis

The term "Individual Case Basis" denotes a condition in which the regulations, if applicable, rates and charges for an offering under the provisions of this tariff are developed based on the circumstances in each case.

Initial Address Message

The term "Initial Address Message" denotes an SS7 message sent in the forward direction to initiate trunk set up, reserve an outgoing trunk and process the information about that trunk along with other data relating to the routing and handling of the call to the next switch.

Initial Liability Period Special Construction

The term "Initial Liability Period" denotes the initial planning period during which the customer expects to place specially constructed facilities in service.

2. General Regulations (Cont'd)

2.6 <u>Definitions</u> (Cont'd)

Inserted Connection Loss

The term "Inserted Connection Loss" denotes the 1004 Hz power difference (in dB) between the maximum power available at the originating end and the actual power reaching the terminating end through the inserted connection.

Installation and Repair Technician

The term "Installation and Repair Technician" denotes a Telephone Company employee who performs installation and/or repair work, including testing and trouble isolation, outside of the Telephone Company Central Office and generally at the customer designated premises.

Installed Cost Special Construction

The term "Installed Cost" denotes the total investment (estimated or actual) required by the Telephone Company to provide specially constructed facilities in service.

Interexchange Carrier (IC) or Interexchange Common Carrier

The terms "Interexchange Carrier" (IC) or "Interexchange Common Carrier" denotes any individual, partnership, association, joint-stock company, trust, governmental entity or corporation engaged for hire in interstate or foreign communication by wire or radio, between two or more exchanges.

2. General Regulations (Cont'd)

2.6 <u>Definitions</u> (Cont'd)

Intermodulation Distortion

The term "Intermodulation Distortion" denotes a measure of the nonlinearity of a channel. It is measured using four tones, and evaluating the ratios (in dB) of the transmitted composite four-tone signal power to the second-order products of the tones (R2), and the third-order products of the tones (R3).

Interstate Communications

The term "Interstate Communications" denotes both interstate and foreign communications.

Intrastate Communications

The term "Intrastate Communications" denotes any communications within a state subject to oversight by a state regulatory commission as provided by the laws of the state involved.

Legal Holiday

The term "Legal Holiday" denotes days other than Saturday or Sunday for which the Telephone Company is normally closed. These include New Year's Day, Independence Day, Thanksgiving Day, Christmas Day and a day when Washington's Birthday, Memorial Day or Columbus Day is legally observed and other locally observed holidays when the Telephone Company is closed.

Line Side Connection

The term "Line Side Connection" denotes a connection of a transmission path to the line side of a local exchange switching system.

2. General Regulations (Cont'd)

2.6 <u>Definitions</u> (Cont'd)

Local Access and Transport Area (LATA)

The term "Local Access and Transport Area" denotes a geographic area established for the provision and administration of communications service. It encompasses one or more designated exchanges, which are grouped to serve common social, economic and other purposes.

Location Routing Number

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The term "Location Routing Number" denotes a ten-digit number used to uniquely identify a switch that has ported numbers.

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Loss Deviation

The term "Loss Deviation" denotes the variation of the actual loss from the designed value.

Major Fraction Thereof

The term "Major Fraction Thereof" denotes any period of time in excess of 1/2 of the stated amount of time. As an example, in considering a period of 24 hours, a major fraction thereof would be any period of time in excess of 12 hours exactly. Therefore, if a given service is interrupted for a period of thirty-six hours and fifteen minutes, the customer would be given a credit allowance for two twenty-four hour periods for a total of forty-eight hours.

Maximum Termination Liability Special Construction

The term "Maximum Termination Liability" denotes the maximum amount which may be billed if all services using specially constructed facilities are terminated prior to the expiration of the Maximum Termination Liability Period.

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2. General Regulations (Cont'd)

2.6 <u>Definitions</u> (Cont'd)

Maximum Termination Liability Period Special Construction

The term "Maximum Termination Liability Period" denotes the length of time for which a termination charge may apply if all services using specially constructed facilities are terminated.

Message

The term "Message" denotes a "call" as defined preceding.

Milliwatt (102 Type) Test Line

The term "Milliwatt (102 Type) Test Line" denotes an arrangement in an end office which provides a 1004 Hz tone at 0 dBm0 for one-way transmission measurements towards the customer's premises from the Telephone Company end office.

Mobile Telephone Switching Office (MTSO)

The term "Mobile Telephone Switching Office (MTSO)" denotes a Cellular Mobile Carrier (CMC) switching system that is used to terminate mobile stations for purposes of interconnection to each other and to trunks interfacing with the public switched network.

N Minus One (N-1)

When more than one network is involved in completing a call, the network prior to the termination (i.e., the N-1 Network) is responsible for querying a LNP database to secure the appropriate LRN to route the call. The N-1 carrier for a local call is usually the Local Exchange Company of the calling party, but may also be a wireless provider. The N-1 Carrier for an interexchange call is usually the calling customer's interexchange carrier.

Net Salvage Special Construction

The term "Net Salvage" denotes the estimated scrap, sale, or trade-in value, less the estimated cost of removal. Costs of removal includes the costs of demolishing, tearing down, or otherwise disposing of the material and any other applicable costs. Since the cost of removal may exceed salvage value, net salvage value may be negative.

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2. General Regulations (Cont'd)

2.6 <u>Definitions</u> (Cont'd)

Network Control Signaling

The term "Network Control Signaling" denotes the transmission of signals used in the telecommunications system which perform functions such as supervision (control, status, and charge signals), address signaling (e.g., dialing), calling and called number identifications, rate of flow, service selection error control and audible tone signals (call progress signals indicating re-order or busy conditions, alerting, coin denominations, coin collect and coin return tones) to control the operation of the telecommunications system.

Nonrecoverable Cost Special Construction

The term "Nonrecoverable Cost" denotes the cost of specially constructed facilities for which the Telephone Company has no foreseeable use should the service be terminated.

Normal Construction

The term "Normal Construction" denotes all facilities the Telephone Company would normally use to provide service in the absence of a requirement for special construction.

North American Numbering Plan

The term "North American Numbering Plan" denotes a three-digit area code (Numbering Plan Area - NPA) and a seven-digit telephone number made up of a three-digit Central Office prefix plus a four-digit station number.

2. General Regulations (Cont'd)

2.6 <u>Definitions</u> (Cont'd)

Off-hook

The term "Off-hook" denotes the active condition of Switched Access or a Telephone Exchange Service line.

On-hook

The term "On-hook" denotes the idle condition of Switched Access or a Telephone Exchange Service line.

Open Circuit Test Line

The term "Open Circuit Test Line" denotes an arrangement in an end office which provides an ac open circuit termination of a trunk or line by means of an inductor of several Henries.

Originating Direction

The term "Originating Direction" denotes the use of access service for the origination of calls from an End User Premises to an IC Premises.

Pay Telephone

The term "Pay Telephone" denotes a location where Telephone Company equipment is provided in a public or semipublic place where Telephone Company customers can originate telephonic communications and pay the applicable charges by (1) inserting coins into the equipment, or (2) using a credit card, or (3) third party billing the call or (4) calling collect.

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2. General Regulations (Cont'd)

2.6 Definitions (Cont'd)

Payphone Service Provider $(N)^*$ The term "Payphone Service Provider" denotes an entity that provides pay telephone service, which is the provision of public, semi-public, or inmate pay telephone service. $(N)^*$ Permanent Facilities Special Construction $(M)^*$ The term "Permanent Facilities" denotes facilities providing service for one month or $(M)^*$ more.

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2. General Regulations (Cont'd)

2.6 <u>Definitions</u> (Cont'd)

Phase Jitter

The term "Phase Jitter" denotes the unwanted phase variations of a signal.

Point of Termination

The term "Point of Termination" denotes the point of demarcation within a customerdesignated premises at which the Telephone Company's responsibility for the provision of Access Service ends.

Premises

The term "Premises" denotes a building or buildings on continuous property (except Railroad Right-of-Way, etc.) not separated by a public highway.

Recipient Switch

The term "Recipient Switch" denotes any end office switch that serves ported NXX codes not originally assigned to that switch.

Recoverable Cost Special Construction

The term "Recoverable Cost" denotes the cost of the specially constructed facilities for which the Telephone Company has a foreseeable reuse, either in place or elsewhere, should the service be terminated.

Regional Service Management System/Number Portability Administration Center

The term "Regional Service Management System/Number Portability Administration Center" denotes the third party administered number portability data base which maintains information on all ported numbers in a specific geographic area, in this case, the Company's region.

Registered Equipment

The term "Registered Equipment" denotes the customer's premises equipment which complies with and has been approved within the Registration Provisions of Part 68 of the F.C.C.'s Rules and Regulations.

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2. General Regulations (Cont'd)

2.6 <u>Definitions</u> (Cont'd)

Release Message

The term "Release Message" denotes an SS7 Message sent in either direction to indicate that a specific circuit is being released.

Remote Switching Modules/Systems

The term "Remote Switching Modules/Systems" denotes small, remotely controlled electronic end office switches which obtain their call processing capability from an electronic Host Central Office. The Remote Switching Modules/Systems cannot accommodate direct trunks to an IC.

Return Loss

The term "Return Loss" denotes a measure of the similarity between the two impedances at the junction of two transmission paths. The higher the return loss, the higher the similarity.

Service Access Code

The term "Service Access Code" denotes a 3-digit code in the NPA format which is used as the first three digits of a 10-digit address and which is assigned for special network uses. Whereas NPA codes are normally used for identifying specific geographical areas, certain Service Access Codes have been allocated in the North American Numbering Plan to identify generic services or to provide access capability. Examples of Service Access Codes include the 800 Series and 900 codes.

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2. General Regulations (Cont'd)

2.6 <u>Definitions</u> (Cont'd)

Service Switching Point (SSP)

A Service Switching Point denotes an end office or tandem which, in addition to having SS7 and SP capabilities, is also equipped to query centralized data bases.

Serving Wire Center

The term "Serving Wire Center" denotes the wire center from which the customer designated premises would normally obtain dial tone from the Telephone Company.

Seven Digit Manual Test Line

The term "Seven Digit Manual Test Line" denotes an arrangement which allows the Customer to select balance, milliwatt and synchronous test lines by manually dialing a seven digit number over the associated access connection.

Shortage of Facilities or Equipment

The term "Shortage of Facilities or Equipment" denotes a condition which occurs when the Telephone Company does not have appropriate cable, switching capacity, bridging or, multiplexing equipment, etc., necessary to provide the Access Service requested by the customer.

Short Circuit Test Line

The term "Short Circuit Test Line" denotes an arrangement in an end office which provides for an ac short circuit termination of a trunk or line by means of a capacitor of at least four microfarads.

2. General Regulations (Cont'd)

2.6 <u>Definitions</u> (Cont'd)

Signal-to-C-Notched Noise Ratio

The term "Signal-to-C-Notched Noise Ratio" denotes the ratio in dB of a test signal to the corresponding C-Notched Noise.

Signaling Point (SP)

The term "Signaling Point (SP)" denotes an SS7 network interface element capable of originating and terminating SS7 trunk signaling messages.

Signaling System 7 (SS7)

The term "Signaling System 7 (SS7)" denotes the layered protocol used for standardized common channel signaling in the United States and Puerto Rico.

Signal Transfer Point (STP)

The term "Signal Transfer Point (STP)" denotes a packet switch which provides access to the Telephone Company's SS7 network and performs SS7 message signal routing and screening.

Signal Transfer Point (STP) Port

The term "Signal Transfer Point (STP) Port" denotes the point of termination and interconnection to the STP.

2. General Regulations (Cont'd)

2.6 <u>Definitions</u> (Cont'd)

Signaling Return Loss

The term "Signaling Return Loss" denotes the frequency weighted measure of return loss at the edges of the voiceband (200 to 500 Hzand 2500 to 3200 Hz), where signaling (instability) problems are most likely to occur.

Special Order

The term "Special Order" denotes an order for a Directory Assistance Service.

Subtending End Office of an Access Tandem

The term "Subtending End Office of an Access Tandem" denotes an end office that has final trunk group routing through that tandem.

Synchronous Test Line

The term "Synchronous Test Line" denotes an arrangement in an end office which performs marginal operational tests of supervisory and ring-tripping functions.

Tandem-Switched Transport

The term "Tandem-Switched Transport" denotes transport from the serving wire center to the end office, or from the tandem to the end office, that is switched at a tandem.

Telephone Number

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The term "Telephone Number" denotes a unique NPA NXX-XXXX assigned to a subscriber of a Local Service Provider.

Terminating Direction

The term "Terminating Direction" denotes the use of Access Service for the completion of calls from an IC premises to an End User Premises.

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2. General Regulations (Cont'd)

2.6 <u>Definitions</u> (Cont'd)

Termination Charge Special Construction

The term "Termination Charge" denotes the portion of the Maximum Termination Liability that is applied as a nonrecurring charge when all services are discontinued prior to the expiration of the specified liability period.

Transmission Measuring (105 Type) Test Line/Responder

The term "Transmission Measuring (105 Type) Test Line/Responder" denotes an arrangement in an end office which provides far-end access to a responder and permits two-way loss and noise measurements to be made on trunks from a near end office.

Transmission Path

The term "Transmission Path" denotes an electrical path capable of transmitting signals within the range of the service offering, e.g., a voice grade transmission path is capable of transmitting voice frequencies within the approximate range of 300 to 3000 Hz. A transmission path is comprised of physical or derived facilities consisting of any form or configuration of plant typically used in the telecommunications industry.

Trunk

The term "Trunk" denotes a communications path connecting two switching systems in a network, used in the establishment of an end-to-end connection.

2. General Regulations (Cont'd)

2.6 <u>Definitions</u> (Cont'd)

Trunk Group

The term "Trunk Group" denotes a set of trunks which are traffic engineered as a unit for the establishment of connections between switching systems in which all of the communications paths are interchangeable.

Trunk Side Connection

The term "Trunk Side Connection" denotes the connection of a transmission path to the trunk side of a local exchange switching system.

Two-Wire to Four-Wire Conversion

The term "Two-Wire to Four-Wire Conversion" denotes an arrangement which converts a four-wire transmission path to a two-wire transmission path to allow a four-wire facility to terminate in a two-wire entity (e.g., a central office switch).

V and H Coordinates Method

The term "V and H Coordinates Method" denotes a method of computing airline miles between two points by utilizing an established formula which is based on the vertical and horizontal coordinates of the two points.

WATS Serving Office

The term "WATS Serving Office" denotes a Telephone Company designated serving wire center where switching, screening and/or recording functions are performed in connection with the closed-end of WATS or WATS-type services.

- 2. General Regulations (Cont'd)
 - 2.6 <u>Definitions</u> (Cont'd)

Wire Center

The term "Wire Center" denotes a building in which one or more central offices, used for the provision of Telephone Exchange Services, are located.

3. Carrier Common Line Access Service

3.1 General Description

The Telephone Company will provide Carrier Common Line Access Service (Carrier Common Line Access) to customers in conjunction with Switched Access Service provided in Section 6. of this tariff.

3.2 Regulation, Rates and Charges

Regulations, Rates and Charges for Carrier Common Line Access Service are the same as those set forth in Section 3 of the NATIONAL EXCHANGE CARRIER ASSOCIATION, INC., Tariff F.C.C. No. 5.

4. End User Access Service

The Telephone Company will provide End User Access Service (End User Access) to end users who obtain local exchange service from the Telephone Company under its general and/or local exchange tariffs.

4.1 General Description

End User Access provides for the use of an End User Common Line (EUCL).

4.2 Regulation, Rates and Charges

Regulations, Rates and Charges for End User Access Service are the same as those set forth in Section 4 of the NATIONAL EXCHANGE CARRIER ASSOCIATION, INC., Tariff F.C.C. No. 5.

5. Access Ordering

5.1 General

This section sets forth the regulations and order related charges for services set forth in other sections of this tariff. Order related charges are in addition to other applicable charges for the services provided.

An Access Order is an order to provide the customer with Switched and Special Access or Access Related Service or to provide changes to existing services.

The regulations, rates and charges for special construction are set forth in Section 15 and are in addition to the regulations, rates and charges specified in this section.

A customer may order any number of services of the same type and between the same premises on a single Access Order. All details for services for a particular order must be identical except for those for multipoint service.

The customer shall provide to the Telephone Company the order information required in 5.2 following, and in addition the customer must also provide:

- Customer name and premises address(es).
- Billing name and address (when different from customer name and address).
- Customer contact name(s) and telephone number(s) for the following provisioning activities: order negotiation, order confirmation, interactive design, installation and billing.

5. Access Ordering (Cont'd)

5.1 General (Cont'd)

5.1.1 <u>Service Installation</u>

The Telephone Company will provide the Access Service in accordance with the customer's requested service date, subject to the constraints established by the Telephone Company schedule of applicable service dates.

The Telephone Company shall make available to all customers, upon request, a schedule of applicable service intervals for Switched and Special Access Services. The schedule shall specify the applicable service interval for services and the quantities of services that can be provided by a requested service date. Any associated material will be provided upon request and within a reasonable period of time.

The Telephone Company will not accept orders for service dates which exceed the applicable service date by more than six months.

Access Services will be installed during Telephone Company business days. If a customer requests that installation be done outside of scheduled work hours, and the Telephone Company agrees to this request, the customer will be subject to applicable Additional Labor Charges as set forth in 16.4.3 following.

5. Access Ordering (Cont'd)

5.1 General (Cont'd)

5.1.2 <u>Expedited Orders</u>

When placing an Access Order, a customer may request a service date that is prior to the applicable service date. Additionally, a customer may also request an earlier service date on a pending Access Order. In this case, an access order modification as set forth in 5.4 following would be required. If the Telephone Company determines that the service can be provided on the requested date and that additional labor cost or extraordinary costs are required to meet the requested service date, the customer will be notified and will be provided with an estimate of the additional charges involved. Charges will be billed at actual cost, not to exceed 10 percent over estimated charges. Such additional charges will be determined and billed to the customer as explained following.

To calculate the additional labor charges, the Telephone Company will, upon authorization from the customer to incur the additional labor charges, keep track of the additional labor hours used to meet the request of the customer and will bill the customer at the applicable Additional Labor charges as set forth in 16.4.3 following.

To develop, determine and bill the customer the extraordinary costs which may be involved, the Special Construction terms and conditions as set forth in Section 15 will be used by the Telephone Company. Authorization to incur the costs and to bill the customer will be in accordance with the terms and conditions of Section 15.

5. Access Ordering (Cont'd)

5.1 General (Cont'd)

5.1.2 <u>Expedited Orders</u> (Cont'd)

When the request for expediting occurs subsequent to the issuance of the Access Order, a Service Date Change Charge as set forth in 16.4.1(B) following also applies.

5.1.3 Selection of Facilities for Access Orders

The option to request a specific transmission path or channel is only provided for High Capacity Facilities Special Access, or as provided for under Special Facilities Routing as set forth in Section 11. following.

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When there are High Capacity facilities to a hub on order or in service for the customer's use, the customer may request a specific channel or transmission path be used to provide the Switched or Special Access Service requested in an Access Order. The Telephone Company will make a reasonable effort to accommodate the customer request.

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5. Access Ordering (Cont'd)

5.2 Ordering Requirements

5.2.1 Switched Access Service

When ordering Switched Access service, the customer must specify whether the service is to be directly routed to an end office switch or through an access tandem. When service is ordered directly to an end office the customer must specify the type and quantity of Direct Trunked Transport facility (e.g., Voice Grade or High Capacity DS1 or DS3).

The customer must also specify the type of Entrance Facility to be used for Switched Access (e.g., Voice Grade or High Capacity). For High Capacity Entrance Facilities, the customer must specify the facility assignment and the channel assignment for each trunk.

Direct Trunked Transport is available to all ATU end offices.

When the customer has both Tandem Switched Transport and Direct Trunked Transport at the same end office, the customer will be provided Alternate Traffic Routing as set forth in 6.4.6 following.

At customer request, their Local Transport may be connected to the Entrance Facility of another customer, providing the other customer submits a letter of authorization for this connection and assumes full responsibility for the cost of the Entrance Facility.

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5. Access Ordering (Cont'd)

5.2 <u>Ordering Requirements</u>

5.2.1 <u>Switched Access Service</u> (Continued)

(A) Feature Group A

Orders for Feature Group A Switched Access Service shall be in lines.

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When placing an order for Feature Group A Switched Access Service, the customer shall provide the following information in addition to that set forth in 5.1 preceding:

- The number of lines and the first point of switching (i.e., Dial Tone Office)
- Optional Features
- Whether the Off-hook Supervisory Signaling is provided by the customer's equipment before the called party answers, or is forwarded by the customer's equipment when the called party answers
- Lines to be provided as single lines
- Lines to be arranged in multiline hunt group arrangements
- Directionality (1-way, 2-way, etc.)
- A projected percentage of interstate use (PIU) as set forth in 2.3.11 preceding
- The Interexchange Carrier to which the service is connected or, in the alternative, specify the means by which the FGA access communications are transported to another state.

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5. Access Ordering (Cont'd)

5.2 Ordering Requirements (Cont'd)

5.2.1 <u>Switched Access Service</u> (Cont'd)

(B) Feature Group B

Orders for Feature Group B Switched Access Service shall be in trunks.

When placing an order for Feature Group B Service, the customer shall provide, the following information in addition to that set forth in 5.1 preceding:

- The number of trunks
- The end office, when direct routing is desired
- The access tandem office when tandem routing is desired
- Optional Features
- Trunks to be provided as single trunks
- Trunks to be arranged in trunk group arrangements
- Directionality (1-way, 2-way, etc.)
- A projected percentage of interstate use (PIU) as set forth in 2.3.11 preceding
- The Interexchange Carrier to which the service is connected or, in the alternative, specify the means by which the FGB access communications are transported to another state.
- The access code dialing arrangement (i.e., a uniform access code of 950-1XXX or 950-0XXX
- For Feature Group B switched access service to a Mobile Telephone Switching Office (MTSO) directly interconnected to a Telephone Company, the customer shall provide information to the Telephone Company indicating the NXX code(s) to be accessed.

- 5. Access Ordering (Cont'd)
 - 5.2 <u>Order Requirements</u> (Cont'd)
 - 5.2.1 <u>Switched Access Service</u> (Cont'd)
 - (C) Feature Group D, Interim 900 NXX
 Translation and SS7 Signaling

When placing an order for Feature Group D Switched Access Service, the customer shall provide:

- The number of trunks desired between a customer designated premises and an entry switch
- The number of trunks required for SS7 Signaling capability
- Optional Features
- Interim 900 NXX Translation options.
- A projected percentage of interstate use (PIU) as set forth in 2.3.11 preceding.
- For Feature Group D switched access service to a Mobile Telephone Switching Office (MTSO) directly interconnected to a Telephone Company access tandem office, the customer shall provide information to the Telephone Company indicating the NXX code(s) to be accessed.

Customers will order FGD by specifying the number of trunks desired between customer designated premises and an end office or access tandem. When ordering by trunk quantities the customer must also provide the Telephone Company an estimate of the amount of traffic it will generate to and/or from each end office subtending the access tandem to assist the Telephone Company in its own efforts to project further facility requirements.

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- 5. Access Ordering (Cont'd)
 - 5.2 <u>Ordering Requirements</u> (Cont'd)
 - 5.2.1 <u>Switched Access Service</u> (Cont'd)
 - (C) <u>Feature Group D, Interim 900 NXX Translation and SS7</u> Signaling (Cont'd)

When Feature Group D is ordered with the Interim 900 NXX Translation optional feature, the customer shall specify the Service Access Code(s) and the associated NXX code to be translated. The initial and subsequent orders to add, change, or delete Interim 900 NXX Translation codes shall be placed separately or in combination with orders to change Feature Group D Switched Access trunks. Customer assigned NXX codes which have not been ordered will be blocked.

Orders for the Interim NXX Translation optional feature shall not be required until such time as a customer other than an MTS/WATS provider requests Interim NXX Translation of Service Access Codes. Upon receipt of such order, the Telephone Company shall notify the MTS/WATS provider of the activation of the Interim NXX Translation Service for the Service Access Code. Following such initial activation, all customers are required to place orders for Interim NXX Translation of the Service Access Code and the Interim NXX Translation charge for the Service Access Code shall apply as set forth in 16.2.1(C) following.

5. Access Ordering (Cont'd)

5.2 Ordering Requirements (Cont'd)

5.2.1 <u>Switched Access Service</u> (Cont'd)

(D) <u>Directory Assistance</u>

When placing an order for Directory Assistance service, the customer shall provide, the following information:

- The number of trunks from the customer designated premises to the Directory Assistance location
- If Switched Access is required on the terminating end of the DA call, as set forth in Section 9. following, the Feature Group B or D Switched Access Service Trunk Group to be associated with the DA service
- Directory Transport options.

(E) SS7 Optional Feature

When Feature Group D is ordered with the SS7 optional feature, in addition to information listed in 5.2.1(C) preceding, the customer shall specify a reference to existing signaling connections or reference related SS7 signaling connection order. When ordering SS7 signaling, the customer shall provide the Signaling Transfer Point codes, location identifier codes and circuit identifier codes. In addition, the customer shall work cooperatively with the Telephone Company to determine the number of SS7 signaling connections required to handle its signaling traffic.

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5. <u>Access Ordering</u> (Cont'd)

5.2 <u>Ordering Requirements</u> (Cont'd)

5.2.1 Switched Access Service (Cont'd)

(E) <u>SS7 Optional Feature</u> (Cont'd)

For 800 Data Base Access Service, as described in 6.1.3(A) & (C)(2) following, the customer must order FGD to those access tandems or end offices designated as Service Switching Points (SSP) for 800 Data Base Service in NATIONAL EXCHANGE CARRIER ASSOCIATION, INC. TARIFF FCC NO. 4, WIRE CENTER INFORMATION. Direct trunk routes can only be provided from end offices equipped to query centralized data bases. All traffic originating from end offices not equipped to provide SS7 signaling and routing require routing via an access tandem where SSP functionality is available.

5.2.2 <u>Special Access Service</u>

When placing an order for Special Access Service the customer must specify:

- the customer designated premises or hubs involved
- type of service (e.g., Voice Grade, High Capacity, etc.)
- the channel interface(s)
- technical specification package
- options desired
- for multipoint services, the channel interface at each customer designated premises may, at the request of the customer, be different but all such interfaces shall be compatible.
- that the traffic consists of more than ten percent interstate traffic.

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5. Access Ordering (Cont'd)

5.2 Ordering Requirements (Cont'd)

5.2.2 <u>Special Access Service</u> (Cont'd)

All part-time Video and Program Audio services are subject to a service inquiry. A service inquiry is a request to the Telephone Company to determine if facilities exist to provide the service ordered and to determine the service date on which service can be provided to the customer.

Where the Special Access Service is exempt from the Special Access Surcharge, as set forth in 7.3 following the customer shall furnish written certification to that effect as set forth in 7.3.3 following.

When ordering bridging and/or multiplexing, the Customer must specify the Telephone Company hub(s) from which they desire service. The Customer must specify only those hubs that provide the type of service ordered and interconnect with the wire center(s) from which the customer requires service. The Wire Center section of NATIONAL EXCHANGE CARRIER ASSOCIATION, INC. Tariff F.C.C. No. 4 identifies hub types (e.g., Digital Data, High Capacity Multiplexing, etc.) and hub levels.

5.2.3 WATS or WATS-Type Services

Special Access Service may be ordered for connection with FGA, FGB, or FGD Switched Access Service at Telephone Company designated WATS Serving Offices (WSOs) for the provision of WATS or WATS-type Services and may be ordered separately by a customer other than the customer which orders the FGA, FGB, or FGD Switched Access Service. For the Special Access Service the customer shall specify:

5. Access Ordering (Cont'd)

5.2 Ordering Requirements (Cont'd)

5.2.3 WATS or WATS-Type Services (Cont'd)

- the customer designated premises at which the Special Access service terminates
- the type of line (i.e., two-wire or four-wire)
- the type of calling (i.e., originating, terminating or two-way)
- type of Supervisory Signaling.

5.2.4 Mixed Use Facilities - Switched and Special Access

Mixed use is the provision of both Switched and Special Access Services over the same High Capacity facilities. Mixed use facilities to a hub will be ordered and provided as Special Access Service. Where mixed use is employed, individual services utilizing these facilities must be ordered either as Switched Access Service or Special Access Service as further elaborated and set forth in 6.4.7 and 7.2.7 following. When placing the order for the individual service(s), the customer must specify a channel assignment for each service ordered.

5. Access Ordering (Cont'd)

5.2 Ordering Requirements (Cont'd)

5.2.5 <u>Miscellaneous Services</u>

Testing Service, Additional Labor, Telecommunications Service Priority and Special Facilities Routing shall be ordered with an Access Order or may subsequently be added to a pending order at any time up to and including the service date for the access service. When miscellaneous services are added to a pending order a service date change may be required. When a service date change is required, the service date change charge as set forth in 16.4.1(B) following will apply. When miscellaneous services are added to a pending order, charges for a design change as set forth in 16.4.1(C) following will apply when an engineering review is required. If both a service date change and an engineering review are required, both the Service Date Change Charge and the Design Change Charge will apply as set forth in 5.4.3(B) following.

The rates and charges for these services, as set forth in Section 16 of this tariff, will apply in addition to the ordering charges set forth in Section 16 and the rates and charges for the Access Service with which they are associated.

Additional Engineering is not an ordering option, but will be applied to an Access Order when the Telephone Company determines that Additional Engineering is necessary to accommodate a customer request. Additional Engineering will only be required as set forth in 13.1 following. When it is required, the customer will be so notified and will be furnished with a written statement setting forth the justification for the Additional Engineering as well as an estimate of the charges.

5. Access Ordering (Cont'd)

5.2 Ordering Requirements (Cont'd)

5.2.5 <u>Miscellaneous Services</u> (Cont'd)

If the customer agrees to the Additional Engineering, a firm order will be established. If the customer does not want the service or facilities after being notified that Additional Engineering of Telephone Company facilities is required, the order will be withdrawn and no charges will apply. Once a firm order has been established, the total charge to the customer for the Additional Engineering may not exceed the estimated amount by more than 10%.

5.3 Access Orders For Services Provided By More Than One Telephone Company

Access Services provided by more than one Telephone Company are services where one end of the Channel Mileage element is in the operating territory of one Telephone Company and the other end of the element is in the operating territory of a different Telephone Company.

The ordering procedure for this service is dependent upon the billing arrangement, as set forth in 2.4.7 preceding, to be used by the Telephone Companies involved in providing the Access Service.

5. <u>Access Ordering</u> (Cont'd)

5.3 <u>Access Orders For Services Provided By More Than One Telephone Company</u> (Cont'd)

5.3.1 Meet Point Billing Ordering

Each Telephone Company will provide its portion of the Access Service within its operating territory to an interconnection point(s) with the other Telephone Company(s). Billing Percentages will be determined by the Telephone Companies involved in providing the Access Service and listed in NATIONAL EXCHANGE CARRIER ASSOCIATION INC. Tariff F.C.C. No. 4. Each Telephone Company will bill the customer for its portion of the service as set forth in 2.4.7. All other (S)* appropriate charges in each Telephone Company tariff are applicable.

5.4 Charges Associated with Access Ordering

5.4.1 Access Order Charge

The Access Order Charge is applied to all customer requests for new Special and Switched Access Service and Directory Assistance Service. In addition, the Access Order Charge is applicable to customer requests for additions, changes or rearrangements to existing Special and Switched Access Service and Directory Assistance Service with the following exceptions:

The Access Order Charge does not apply:

- When a Service Date Change Charge is applicable.
- When a Design Change Charge is applicable.

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5. Access Ordering (Cont'd)

5.4 <u>Charges Associated with Access Ordering</u> (Cont'd)

5.4.1 <u>Access Order Charge</u> (Cont'd)

- To administrative changes as set forth in 6.4.1(B)(3) and 7.2.2(C)(3) following.
- When a change to a pending order does not result in the cancellation of the pending order and the issuance of a new order.
- When the Interim NXX Translation charge is applicable.
- When a Miscellaneous Service Order Charge is applicable.
- When a Presubscription Charge is applicable.
- When a Telephone Company initiated network reconfiguration requires a customer's existing access service to be reconfigured.
- When a service with an ICB rate is converted to a similar service with a non-ICB tariff rate prior to the expiration of the ICB.
- When a pay-per-call toll denial service or pay per call toll restore is requested.
- When Payphone Service Providers (PSPs) obtain Coin Signaling Transmission Additive in conjunction with local exchange service lines for the provision of pay telephone service.

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- 5. Access Ordering (Cont'd)
 - 5.4 Charges Associated with Access Ordering (Cont'd)
 - 5.4.1 <u>Access Order Charge</u> (Cont'd)
 - When a customer request a change of trunks from tandem-switched transport to direct-trunked transport or from direct-trunked transport to tandem-switched transport, or requests to rearrange Switched Access service between lower capacity and higher capacity facilities (e.g., voice grade to/from DS-1 or DS-1 to/from DS-3) providing:
 - the change is ordered no later than July 1, 1994, and
 - the change is completed no later than October 1, 1994, and

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- 5. <u>Access Ordering</u> (Cont'd)
 - 5.4 <u>Charges Associated with Access Ordering</u> (Cont'd)
 - 5.4.1 Access Order Charge (Cont'd)
 - the orders to disconnect existing trunks and to connect the new trunks are placed at the same time, and
 - the number of installed trunks does not exceed the number of trunks disconnected, the Access Order Charge will apply unless the customer provides justification based upon standard engineering methods to show that the additional capacity is required to maintain the same level of service.
 - To DSL Service as set forth in Section 8, following.

The Access Order Charge will be applied on a per order basis to each order received by the Telephone Company or copy of an order received by the Telephone Company pursuant to 5.3.1 preceding, except by the Telephone Company applying the Interim NXX Translation charge, and is in addition to other applicable charges as set forth in this and other sections of this tariff.

The Access Order Charge will be applied on a per order basis for any change, rearrangement or addition to the delivery of signaling to an existing STP port.

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5. <u>Access Ordering</u> (Cont'd)

5.4 <u>Charges Associated with Access Ordering</u> (Cont'd)

5.4.2 Miscellaneous Service Order Charge

A Miscellaneous Service Order Charge, as set forth in 16.4.1(D) following, applies to any service, or combination of services ordered simultaneously from Section 13 of the Tariff for which a service order is not already pending (with the exception of Presubscription (13.4) and Pay-Per-Call Toll Denial Service (13.7.2) which do not have the charge applied). The Miscellaneous Service Order Charge is an administrative charge designed to compensate for the expenses associated with service order issuance. The charge always applies to the following services since a pending service order would not exist:

- Overtime Repair (13.2.2),
- Standby Repair (13.2.3),
- Testing and Maintenance with Other Telephone Companies other than when in conjunction with Acceptance Testing (13.2.4),
- Other Labor (13.2.5),
- Maintenance of Service (13.3.2).

The Miscellaneous Service Order Charge will also apply to the following services if they are ordered subsequent to the initial installation of the associated access service, thereby necessitating the issuance of another service order:

- Telecommunications Service Priority (13.3.3),

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5. <u>Access Ordering</u> (Cont'd)

5.4 <u>Charges Associated with Access Ordering</u> (Cont'd)

5.4.2 Miscellaneous Service Order Charge (Cont'd)

The charge does not apply to the following services since there would exist a pending service order:

- Additional Engineering (13.1),
- Overtime Installation (13.2.1),
- Standby Acceptance Testing (13.2.3),
- Testing and Maintenance with Other Telephone Companies when in conjunction with Acceptance Testing (13.2.4),
- Additional Cooperative Acceptance Testing [13.3.1(A)(1) and 13.3.1(B)(1)].
- Coin Signaling Transmission Additive (13.8)

5.4.3 Access Order Change Charges

Access Order changes involve service date changes and design changes. The customer may request a change of its Access Order prior to the service date. The Telephone Company will make every effort to accommodate a requested change when it is able to do so with the normal work force assigned to complete such an order within normal business hours. If the change cannot be made with the normal work force during normal business hours, the Telephone Company will notify the customer. If the customer still desires the Access Order change, the Telephone Company will schedule a new service date as set forth in 5.1.2 preceding. All charges for Access Order change as set forth in 16.4.1(B) and (C) will apply on a per occurrence basis.

Any increase in the number of Special Access Service channels or Switched Access Service lines, trunks, or CCS/SS7 Port Terminations will be treated as a new Access Order (for the increased amount only).

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5. Access Ordering (Cont'd)

5.4 Charges Associated with Access Ordering (Cont'd)

5.4.3 <u>Access Order Change Charges</u> (Cont'd)

If order changes are necessary to satisfy the transmission performance for a Special Access Service ordered by a customer, these changes will be made without order change charges being incurred by the customer.

(A) Service Date Change

The customer may request a change of service date on a pending Access Order prior to the service date. A change of service date is a change of the scheduled service date by the customer to either an earlier date or a later date which does not exceed 30 calendar days from the original service date.

If the Telephone Company determines that the customer's request can be accommodated without delaying the service dates for orders of other customers, the service date will be changed and the Service Date Change Charge, as set forth in 16.4.1(B) following, will be applied to the order.

If the service date is changed to an earlier date, and the Telephone Company determines additional labor or extraordinary costs are necessary to meet the earlier service date requested by the customer, the customer will be notified by the Telephone Company that Expedited Order Charges as set forth in 5.1.2 preceding apply. Such charges will apply in addition to the Service Date Change Charge.

- 5. <u>Access Ordering</u> (Cont'd)
 - 5.4 Charges Associated with Access Ordering (Cont'd)
 - 5.4.3 <u>Access Order Change Charges</u> (Cont'd)
 - (A) <u>Service Date Change</u> (Cont'd)

If the requested service date exceeds 30 calendar days following the original service date, and the Telephone Company determines that the customer's request can be accommodated, the Telephone Company will cancel the original order and apply the Cancellation Charges as set forth in 5.5.3 following. A new Access Order with a new service date will be issued. The Service Date Change Charge will not apply, however, the Access Order Charge will apply to the new order.

If the service date is changed due to a design change as set forth in (B) following, the Service Date Change Charge will apply.

- 5. Access Ordering (Cont'd)
 - 5.4 Charges Associated with Access Ordering (Cont'd)
 - 5.4.3 <u>Access Order Change Charges</u> (Cont'd)
 - (B) Design Change

The customer may request a design change to the service ordered prior to the requested service date. A design change is any change to an Access Order which requires engineering review. An engineering review is a review by Telephone Company personnel, of the service ordered and the requested changes to determine what changes in the design, if any, are necessary to meet the changes requested by the customer. Design changes include such things as the addition or deletion of optional features or functions or a change in the type of Transport Termination (Switched Access only), type of channel interface, type of Interface Group or technical specification package. Design changes do not include a change of customer designated premises, first point of switching, Feature Group type or Special Access Service channel type. Changes of this nature will require the issuance of a new order and the cancellation of the original order with appropriate cancellation charges applied.

5. Access Ordering (Cont'd)

5.4 <u>Charges Associated with Access Ordering</u> (Cont'd)

5.4.3 <u>Access Order Change Charges</u> (Cont'd)

(B) <u>Design Change</u> (Cont'd)

The Telephone Company will review the requested change, notify the customer whether the change is a design change, if the change can be accommodated and if a new service date is required. If the customer authorizes the Telephone Company to proceed with the design change, a Design Change Charge as set forth in 16.4.1(C) following will apply in addition to the charge for Additional Engineering as set forth in 16.4.2 following. If a change of service date is required, the Service Date Change Charge as set forth in 16.4.1(B) following will also apply. The Access Order Charge as specified in 16.4.1 following does not apply.

5.5 Minimum Periods and Cancellations

5.5.1 Minimum Periods

The minimum period for part-time Video and Program Audio Special Access Services is one day even though the service will be provided only for the duration of the event specified on the order (e.g., one-half hour, two hours, five hours, etc.). The minimum period for Switched Access High Capacity DS3 Entrance Facilities and Direct Trunked Transport is as set forth in 6.1.3 following. The minimum period for High Capacity DS1 and DS3 Special Access Services is as set forth in 7.2.4 following.

The minimum period for which Directory Assistance Service and the Directory Access Service is provided and for which charges apply is six months. A minimum period of six months applies for each additional period of service ordered or extended. (S)*

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5. Access Ordering (Cont'd)

5.5 Minimum Period and Cancellations (Cont'd)

5.5.1 <u>Minimum Periods</u> (Cont'd)

Switched Access usage rated services (i.e., End Office, (S)* Common Line, Tandem Switched Transport, and Residual (S)* Interconnection Charge) have no minimum period. The minimum period for which all other Access Service is provided and for which charges are applicable, is one month.

5.5.2 Development of Minimum Period Charges

When Access Service is disconnected after commencement of service but prior to the expiration of the minimum period, charges are applicable for the balance of the minimum period. A disconnect constitutes facilities being returned to available inventory.

The Minimum Period Charge for monthly billed services will be determined as follows:

- (A) For Switched Access Service, the charge for a month or fraction thereof is equal to the applicable recurring charges plus any nonrecurring and/or special construction charge(s) that may be due.
- (B) For Special Access Service, and flat rated Switched
 Access Service, the charge for a month or fraction
 thereof is the applicable monthly rates for the appropriate channel type plus any optional features, nonrecurring and/or special construction charge(s) that may apply.

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- 5. Access Ordering (Cont'd)
 - 5.5 <u>Minimum Period and Cancellations</u> (Cont'd)
 - 5.5.2 <u>Development of Minimum Period Charges</u> (Cont'd)

The Minimum Period Charge for part-time Video and Program Audio Services is the applicable daily rate for the appropriate channel type as set forth in 7.2.4 following.

The Minimum Period Charge for Directory Access Service is developed as set forth in 9.4.4 following.

- 5.5.3 <u>Cancellation of an Access Order</u>
 - (A) A customer may cancel an Access Order for the installation of service on any date prior to the service date. The cancellation date is the date the Telephone Company receives written or verbal notice from the customer that the order is to be cancelled. The verbal notice must be followed by written confirmation within 10 days. If a customer or a customer's end user is unable to accept Access Service within 30 calendar days after the original service date, the customer has the choice of the following options:
 - The Access Order shall be cancelled and charges set forth in (B) following will apply or,
 - Billing for the service will commence.

In such instances, the cancellation date or the billing date, depending on which option is selected by the customer, shall be the 31st day beyond the original service date of the Access Order.

- 5. <u>Access Ordering</u> (Cont'd)
 - 5.5 <u>Minimum Period and Cancellations</u> (Cont'd)
 - 5.5.3 Cancellation of an Access Order (Cont'd)
 - (B) When a customer cancels an Access Order for the installation of service, a Cancellation Charge will apply as follows:
 - (1) Installation of Switched or Special Access Service facilities is considered to have started when the Telephone Company incurs any cost in connection therewith or in preparation thereof which would not otherwise have been incurred.
 - (2) Where the customer cancels an Access Order prior to the start of installation of access facilities, no charges shall apply.
 - (3) Where installation of access facilities has been started prior to the cancellation, the charges specified in (a) or (b) following, whichever is lower, shall apply.
 - (a) A charge equal to the costs incurred in such installation, less estimated net salvage. Such costs include the nonrecoverable cost of equipment and material ordered, provided or used, plus the nonrecoverable cost of installation and removal including the costs of engineering, labor, supervision, transportation, rights-of-way and other associated costs;

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- 5. <u>Access Ordering</u> (Cont'd)
 - 5.5 <u>Minimum Period and Cancellations</u> (Cont'd)
 - 5.5.3 Cancellation of an Access Order (Cont'd)
 - (b) The minimum period charges for Switched or Special Access Service ordered by the customer, as set forth in 5.5.2 preceding.
 - (C) When a customer cancels an order for the discontinuance of service, no charges apply for the cancellation.
 - (D) When a customer cancels an order for the installation of Digital Subscriber Line Access Service, as set forth in Section 8, no charges apply for the cancellation.
 - (E) If the Telephone Company misses a service date by more than 30 days and such delay is not requested or caused by the customer (excluding those circumstances where the date is missed due to acts of God, governmental requirements, work stoppages and civil commotions), the customer may cancel the Access Order without incurring cancellation charges.
 - 5.5.4 Partial Cancellation Charge

Any decrease in the number of ordered Special Access Service channels or Switched Access Service lines, trunks, or CCS/SS7 Port Terminations will be treated as a partial cancellation and charges will be determined as set forth in 5.5.3(B) preceding.

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6. <u>Switched Access Service</u>

6.1 General

Switched Access Service, which is available to customers for their use in furnishing their services to end users, provides a two-point communications path between a customer designated premises and an end user's premises. It provides for the use of common terminating, switching, and trunking facilities and for the use of common subscriber plant of the Telephone Company. Switched Access Service provides for the ability to originate calls from an end user's premises to a customer designated premises, and to terminate calls from a customer designated premises to an end user's premises. Specific references to material describing the elements of Switched Access are provided in 6.1.3 and 6.5 through 6.8 following.

Rates and charges for Switched Access Service depend generally on the specific Feature Group ordered by the customer, e.g., for MTS or WATS services or MTS/WATS equivalent services. Rates and charges for Switched Access Service are set forth in 16.2 following. The application of rates for Switched Access Service is described in 6.4 following. Rates and charges for services other than Switched Access Service, e.g., a customer's toll message service, may also be applicable when Switched Access Service is used in conjunction with these other services. Descriptions of such applicability are provided in 6.4.5, 6.4.9, 6.5.1(H), 6.5.3, 6.6.1(G), 6.6.2(D), and 6.7.1(E) following. Finally, a credit is applied against line side Switched Access Service charges as described in 6.4.8 following.

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- 6. <u>Switched Access Service</u> (Cont'd)
 - 6.1 <u>General</u> (Cont'd)

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6.1.1 <u>Description and Provision of Switched Access Service Arrangements</u>

(A) <u>Description</u>

Switched Access Service is provided in three different Feature Group arrangements which are service categories of standard and optional features. These are differentiated by their technical characteristics, e.g., line side vs. trunk side connection at the Telephone Company first point of switching. They are also differentiated by optional feature availability and the manner in which the end user accesses them in originating calling, e.g., with or without access codes of various lengths and digits.

The provision of each Feature Group requires Local Transport facilities, including an Entrance Facility where required, and the appropriate End Office functions. In addition, Special Access Service may, at the option of the customer, be connected with Feature Groups A, B, or D at Telephone Company designated WATS Serving Offices.

There are two specific transmission specifications (i.e., Types B and C) that have been identified for the provision of Feature Groups. The technical specifications for the Entrance Facility and Direct Trunked Transport are the same as those set forth in Section 7, following for Voice Grade and High Capacity services. The specifications provided are dependent on the Interface Group and the routing of the service, i.e., whether the service is routed directly to the end office or via an access tandem. The parameters for the transmission specifications are set forth in 14.1.2 following.

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- 6. <u>Switched Access Service</u> (Cont'd)
 - 6.1 General (Cont'd)
 - 6.1.1 <u>Description and Provision of Switched Access Service</u>
 <u>Arrangements</u> (Cont'd)
 - (A) <u>Description</u> (Cont'd)

Feature Groups are arranged for either originating, terminating or two-way calling, based on the customer end office switching capacity ordered. Originating calling permits the delivery of calls from Telephone Exchange Service locations to the customer designated premises. Terminating calling permits the delivery of calls from the customer designated premises to Telephone Exchange Service locations. Two-way calling permits the delivery of calls in both directions, but not simultaneously. The Telephone Company will determine the type of calling to be provided unless the customer requests that a different type of directional calling is to be provided. In such cases, the Telephone Company will work cooperatively with the customer to determine the directionality.

There are various optional features associated with Local Transport, Common Switching and Transport Termination available with the Feature Groups. In addition, the Interim 900 NXX Translation optional feature is available with and Feature Group D.

Detailed descriptions of each of the available Feature Groups are set forth in 6.5 through 6.7 following. Each Feature Group is described in terms of its specific physical characteristics and calling capabilities, the optional features available for use with it and the standard testing capabilities.

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- 6. <u>Switched Access Service</u> (Cont'd)
 - 6.1 <u>General</u> (Cont'd)
 - 6.1.1 <u>Description and Provision of Switched Access Service</u>
 <u>Arrangements</u> (Cont'd)
 - (A) <u>Description</u> (Cont'd)

The Common Switching and Transport Termination optional features, which are described in 6.8.1 following, unless specifically stated otherwise, are available at all Telephone Company end office switches.

(B) Manner of Provision

Switched Access is furnished in quantities of lines or trunks. FGA Access and FGB Access are furnished on a per-line or per-trunk basis respectively. FGD is provided to customers on a per trunk basis as set forth in 5.2 preceding.

6.1.2 <u>Ordering Options and Conditions</u>

Switched Access Service is ordered under the Access Order provisions set forth in 5.2 preceding. Also, included in that section are regulations concerning miscellaneous service order charges which may be associated with Switched Access Service ordering (e.g., Service Date Changes, Cancellations, etc.).

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6. <u>Switched Access Service</u> (Cont'd)

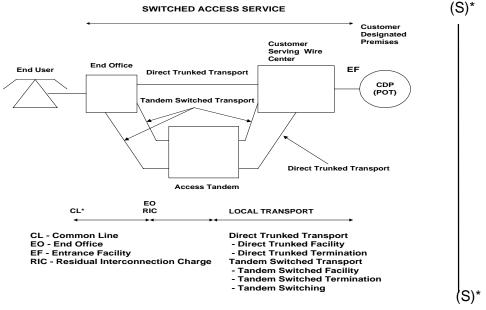
6.1 General (Cont'd)

6.1.3 Rate Categories

There are four rate categories which apply to Switched Access Service:

- Local Transport (described in 6.1.3(A) following)
- End Office (described in 6.1.3(B) following)
- Chargeable Optional Features (described in 6.1.3(C) following)
- Common Line (described in Section 3 preceding)

The following diagram depicts a generic view of the components of Switched Access Service and the manner in which the components are combined to provide a complete Access Service.



*Common Line Access Service is provider under Section 3, preceding.

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- 6. <u>Switched Access Service</u> (Cont'd)
 - 6.1 General (Cont'd)
 - 6.1.3 Rate Categories (Cont'd)
 - (A) Local Transport

The Local Transport rate category establishes the charges related to the transmission and tandem switching facilities between the customer designated premises and the end office switch(es), which may be a Remote Switching Module, where the customer's traffic is switched to originate or terminate the customer's communications. Mileage measurement rules are set forth in 6.4.6 following and in this section.

Local Transport is a two-way voice frequency transmission path composed of facilities determined by the Telephone Company. The two-way voice frequency transmission path permits the transport of calls in the originating direction (from the end user end office switch to the customer designated premises) and in the terminating direction (from the customer designated premises to the end office switch), but not simultaneously. The voice frequency transmission path may be comprised of any form or configuration of plant capable of and typically used in the telecommunications industry for the transmission of voice and associated telephone signals within the frequency bandwidth of approximately 300 to 3000 Hz. The customer must $(S)^*$ specify the choice of facilities (i.e., Voice Grade 2 or 4 wire or High Capacity DS1 or DS3) to be used in the provision of the Direct Trunked Transport or Entrance Facility. (S)*

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6. <u>Switched Access Service</u> (Cont'd)

6.1 General (Cont'd)

6.1.3 Rate Categories (Cont'd)

(A) <u>Local Transport</u> (Continued)

The customer must specify when ordering (1) whether the service is to be directly routed to an end office switch or through an access tandem switch, (2) the type of Direct Trunked Transport and whether it will overflow to Tandem Switched Transport when service is directly routed to an end office, (3) the type of Entrance Facility, (4) the directionality of the service, and (5) when multiplexing is required, the hub(s) at which the multiplexing will be provided.	(S)* (S)* (S)* (S)* (S)*
Additionally, when service is to be routed through an access tandem switch, the customer must specify whether the facility between the serving wire center and the tandem is to be provided as Direct Trunked Transport or Tandem Switched Transport.	(S)*
When the customer has both Tandem Switched Transport and Direct Trunked Transport at the same end office, the customer will be provided Alternate Traffic routing as set forth in 6.4.6 following.	(S)*
Local Transport is provided at the rates and charges set forth in 16.2.2 following. The application of these rates with respect to individual Feature Groups is as set forth in 6.4.1(C) following. When more than one Telephone Company is involved in providing the Switched Access Service, the Local Transport rates are	(S)* (S)* (S)* (S)*

applied as set forth in 2.4.7 preceding.

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- 6. <u>Switched Access Service</u> (Cont'd)
 - 6.1 General (Cont'd)
 - 6.1.3 Rate Categories (Cont'd)
 - (A) <u>Local Transport</u> (Continued)

The Local Transport Rate Category includes five classes of rate elements: (1) Entrance Facility, (2) Direct Trunked Transport, (3) Tandem Switched Transport, (4) Residual Interconnection Charge, and (5) Multiplexing.

(1) Entrance Facility

The Entrance Facility recovers a portion of the costs associated with the communications path between a customer designated premises and the serving wire center of that premises. Included as part of the Entrance Facility is a standard channel interface arrangement which defines the technical characteristics associated with the type of facilities to which the access service is to be connected at the customer designated premises and the type of signaling capability, if any.

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- 6. <u>Switched Access Service</u> (Cont'd)
 - 6.1 General (Cont'd)
 - 6.1.3 Rate Categories (Cont'd)
 - (A) <u>Local Transport</u> (Cont'd)
 - (1) Entrance Facility (Continued)

Three types of Entrance Facilities are available: (1) Voice Grade 2 or 4 wire (an analog channel with an approximate bandwidth of 300 to 3000 Hz), (2) High Capacity DS1 (an isochronous serial digital channel with a rate of 1.544 Mbps) and (3) High Capacity DS3 (an isochronous serial digit channel with a rate of 44.736 Mbps). The minimum period for which a DS3 Entrance Facility is provided is twelve months.

One charge applies for each Entrance Facility that is terminated at a customer designated premises. This charge will apply even if the customer designated premises and the serving wire center are collocated in a Telephone Company building.

At customer request, their Local Transport may be connected to the Entrance Facility of another customer, providing the other customer submits a letter of authorization for this connection and assumes full responsibility for the cost of the Entrance Facility.

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- 6. <u>Switched Access Service</u> (Cont'd)
 - 6.1 General (Cont'd)
 - 6.1.3 Rate Categories (Cont'd)
 - (A) <u>Local Transport</u> (Cont'd)
 - (2) <u>Direct Trunked Transport</u>

The Direct Trunked Transport rate elements
recover a portion of the cost associated with a
communications path between a serving wire
center and an end office or serving wire center and
a tandem on circuits dedicated to the use of a
single customer. Direct Trunked Transport is
available at all ATU end offices.

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- 6. <u>Switched Access Service</u> (Cont'd)
 - 6.1 General (Cont'd)
 - 6.1.3 Rate Categories (Cont'd)
 - (A) <u>Local Transport</u> (Cont'd)
 - (2) <u>Direct Trunked Transport</u> (Cont' d)

Three types of Direct Trunked Transport are available: (1) Voice Grade (an analog channel with an approximate bandwidth of 300 to 3000 Hz), (2) High Capacity DS1 (an isochronous serial digital channel with a rate of 1.544 Mbps) and (3) High Capacity DS3 (an isochronous serial digital channel with a rate of 44.736 Mbps). The minimum period for which a High Capacity DS3 Direct Trunked Transport is provided is twelve months.

Direct Trunked Transport rates consist of a Direct Trunked Facility rate which is applied on a per mile basis and a Direct Trunked Termination rate which is applied at each end of each measured segment of the Direct Trunked Facility (i.e., at the end office, hub, tandem and serving wire center). When the Direct Trunked Facility mileage is zero, neither the Direct Trunked Facility rate nor the Direct Trunked Termination rate will apply.

The Direct Trunked Facility rate recovers a portion of the costs of transmission facilities, including intermediate transmission circuit equipment, between the end points of the interoffice circuits.

The Direct Trunked Termination rate recovers a portion of the costs of the circuit equipment that is necessary for the termination of each end of the Direct Trunked Facility.

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- 6. <u>Switched Access Service</u> (Cont'd)
 - 6.1 General (Cont'd)
 - 6.1.3 Rate Categories (Cont'd)
 - (A) <u>Local Transport</u> (Cont'd)
 - (3) Tandem Switched Transport

The Tandem Switched Transport rate elements recover a portion of the costs associated with a communications path between a serving wire center and an end office or between a tandem and an end office on circuits that are switched at a tandem switch.

Tandem Switched Transport rates consist of a Tandem Switching rate, a Tandem Switched Facility rate, and a Tandem Switched Termination rate.

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- 6. <u>Switched Access Service</u> (Cont'd)
 - 6.1 General (Cont'd)
 - 6.1.3 Rate Categories (Cont'd)
 - (A) <u>Local Transport</u> (Cont'd)
 - (3) <u>Tandem Switched Transport</u> (Cont'd)

The Tandem Switching rate recovers a portion of the costs of switching traffic through an access tandem. The Tandem Switching rate specified in 16.2.2 following is applied on a per access minute per tandem basis for all originating and all terminating minutes of use switched at the tandem.

The Tandem Switched Facility rate recovers a portion of the costs of transmission facilities, including intermediate transmission circuit equipment, between the end points of interoffice circuits. The Tandem Switched Facility rate specified in 16.2.2 following is applied on a per access minute per mile basis for all originating and terminating minutes of use routed over the facility.

The Tandem Switched Termination rate recovers a portion of the costs of circuit equipment necessary for the termination of each end of the Tandem Switched Facility. The Tandem Switched Termination rate specified in 16.2.2 following is applied on a per access minute basis (for all originating and terminating minutes of use routed over the facility) at each end of Tandem Switched Facility (e.g., at the end office, host office, remote, tandem, and serving wire center). When the Tandem Switched Facility mileage is zero, neither the Tandem Switched Facility rate nor the Tandem Switched Termination rate will apply.

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- 6. <u>Switched Access Service</u> (Cont'd)
 - 6.1 General (Cont'd)
 - 6.1.3 Rate Categories (Cont'd)
 - (A) <u>Local Transport</u> (Cont'd)

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(4) Residual Interconnection Charges

The Residual Interconnection Charge recovers the costs associated with Local Transport that are not recovered by the Entrance Facility, Direct Trunked Transport, Tandem Switched Transport, Multiplexing, or dedicated signaling (i.e., SS7) rates. The Residual Interconnection Charge applies to all access minutes of use (i.e., both Tandem Switched and Direct Trunked).

(5) <u>Multiplexing</u>

DS3 to DS1 Multiplexing charges apply when a High Capacity DS3 Entrance Facility or High Capacity DS3 Direct Trunked Facility is connected with High Capacity DS1 Direct Trunked Transport. The DS3 to DS1 multiplexer will convert a 44.736 Mbps channel to 28 DS1 channels using digital time division multiplexing.

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- 6. <u>Switched Access Service</u> (Cont'd)
 - 6.1 General (Cont'd)
 - 6.1.3 Rate Categories (Cont'd)
 - (A) <u>Local Transport</u> (Cont'd)
 - (5) <u>Multiplexing</u> (Cont'd)

DS1 to Voice Grade Multiplexing charges apply when a High Capacity DS1 Entrance Facility or High Capacity DS1 Direct Trunked Facility is connected with Voice Grade Direct Trunked Transport. However a DS1 to Voice Grade Multiplexing charge does not apply when a High Capacity DS1 Entrance Facility or High Capacity DS1 Direct Trunked Transport is terminated at an electronic end office and only Switched Access Service is provided over the DS1 facility (i.e., Voice Grade Special Access channels are not derived). The DS1 to Voice Grade multiplexer will convert a 1.544 Mbps channel to 24 Voice Grade channels.

Multiplexing is only available at wire centers identified in NATIONAL EXCHANGE CARRIER ASSOCIATION, INC. TARIFF F.C.C. NO. 4, WIRE CENTER INFORMATION.

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6. <u>Switched Access Service</u> (Cont'd)

6.1 General (Cont'd)

6.1.3 Rate Categories (Cont'd)

(A) <u>Local Transport</u> (Cont'd)

(6) Interface Groups

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Ten Interface Groups are provided for terminating the Entrance Facility at the customer's designated premises. Technical specifications concerning the available interface groups are set forth in 14.1 following.

(7) Nonchargeable Optional Features

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Where transmission facilities permit, the individual transmission path between the customer's designated premises and the first point of switching may at the option of the customer be provided with the following optional features as set forth and described in 14.1.1(E) following.

- Supervisory Signaling
- Customer Specified Entry Switch Receive Level
- Customer Specification of Local Transport Termination

When a customer subscribes to Common Channel Signaling (SS7) Network Connection Service (CCSNC Service), the following optional features are made available and are described in 6.8.1 following.

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- 6. <u>Switched Access Service</u> (Cont'd)
 - 6.1 General (Cont'd)
 - 6.1.3 Rate Categories (Cont'd)
 - (A) <u>Local Transport</u> (Cont'd)
 - (7) Nonchargeable Optional Features (Cont'd)
 - Signaling System 7 (SS7) Signaling
 - Calling Party Number
 - Carrier Selection Parameter
 - Charge Number Parameter
 - (8) Common Channel Signaling, Signaling System 7 (CBS/SS7) Network Connection (CCSNC)

Service provides a signaling path between a customer's designated Signaling Point of Interface (SPOI) and a Telephone Company's Signaling Transfer Point (STP). CCSNC is provided as set forth in 6.8.3 following.

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800 Data Base Access Service is provided to all customers in conjunction with FGD switched access service. A Basic or Vertical Feature Query charge, as set forth in 16.2.2 (B) following, is assessed for each query launched to the 800 data base. The Basic Query provides the identification of the customer to whom the call will be delivered and includes area of service routing which allows routing of originating 800 Series calls by the Telephone Company to different interexchange carriers.

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- 6. Switched Access Service (Cont'd)
 - 6.1 General (Cont'd)
 - Rate Categories (Cont'd) 6.1.3
 - (A) Local Transport (Cont'd)
 - (8) Common Channel Signaling, Signaling System 7 (CBS/SS7) Network Connection (CCSNC) (Cont'd)

Query provides this same customer identification function in addition to vertical features which may include: (1) call validation (ensuring that calls originate from subscribed service areas); (2) POTS translation of 800 Series numbers (which is generally necessary for the routing of 800 Series calls); (3) alternate POTS translation (which allows subscribers to vary the routing of 800 Series calls based on factors such as time of day, place of origination of the call, etc.); and (4) multiple carrier routing (which allows subscribers to route to different carriers based on factors similar to those in (3)).

An 800 Data Base Access Service Query Charge applies for gueries to the 800 data base as described in 16.2.2(C), following.

An LNP Data Base Query Charge applies for gueries to the LNP data base as described in 16.2.2(D), following. (N)

(B) **End Office**

> The End Office rate category establishes the charges related to the local end office switching and end user termination functions necessary to complete the transmission of Switched Access communications to and from the end users served by the local end office. The End Office rate category includes the Local Switching and Information Surcharge rate elements. Directory Assistance Service is set forth in Section 9. following.

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- 6. <u>Switched Access Service</u> (Cont'd)
 - 6.1 <u>General</u> (Cont'd)
 - 6.1.3 Rate Categories (Cont'd)
 - (B) End Office (Cont'd)
 - (1) <u>Local Switching</u>

The Local Switching rate element establishes the charges related to the use of end office switching equipment, the terminations in the end office of end user lines, and the terminations of calls at Telephone Company Intercept Operators or recordings.

Local Switching is applicable to:

- Feature Group D,
- Feature Group B when utilized to provide MTS/WATS service,
- Feature Groups A and B used for terminating inward WATS and WATStype service at an equal access WATS Serving Office.

Where end offices are appropriately equipped, international dialing may be provided as a capability associated with Local Switching which provides local dial switching for Feature Group D. International dialing provides the capability of switching international calls with service prefix and address codes having more digits than are capable of being switched through a standard Feature Group D equipped end office.

- 6. <u>Switched Access Service</u> (Cont'd)
 - 6.1 <u>General</u> (Cont'd)
 - 6.1.3 Rate Categories (Cont'd)
 - (B) End Office (Cont'd)
 - (1) <u>Local Switching</u> (Cont'd)

Rates for Local Switching are set forth in 16.2.3 following. The application of this rate with respect to individual Feature Groups is as set forth in 6.4.1(C) following.

There are four types of functions included in the Local Switching rate element: Common Switching, Transport Termination, Line Termination and Intercept. These are described in (a) through (d) following.

(a) Common Switching

Common Switching provides the local end office switching functions associated with the various access (i.e., Feature Group) switching arrangements. The Common Switching arrangements provided for the various Feature Group arrangements are described in 6.5 through 6.7 following.

Included as part of Common Switching are various nonchargeable optional features which the customer can order to meet the customer's specific communications requirements. These optional features are described in 6.8.1 following.

- 6. <u>Switched Access Service</u> (Cont'd)
 - 6.1 General (Cont'd)
 - 6.1.3 Rate Categories (Cont'd)
 - (B) End Office (Cont'd)
 - (1) <u>Local Switching</u> (Cont'd)
 - (b) <u>Transport Termination</u>

Transport Termination functions provide for the line or trunk side arrangements which terminate the Local Transport facilities. Included as part of these functions are various nonchargeable optional termination arrangements. These optional terminating arrangements are described in 6.8.1 following.

The number of Transport Terminations provided will be determined by the Telephone Company as set forth in 6.2.5 following.

(c) Line Termination

Line Termination provides for the terminations of end user lines in the local end office. There are two types of Line Terminations, i.e., Common Line Terminations and Special Access Service Terminations utilized in the provision of WATS or WATS-type services at Telephone Company designated WATS Serving Offices.

- 6. <u>Switched Access Service</u> (Cont'd)
 - 6.1 General (Cont'd)
 - 6.1.3 Rate Categories (Cont'd)
 - (B) End Office (Cont'd)
 - (1) <u>Local Switching</u> (Cont'd)
 - (c) <u>Line Termination</u> (Cont'd)

The preceding Special Access Service Terminations are differentiated by line side vs. trunk side terminations. In addition, there are various types of originating and terminating line side terminations depending on the type of signaling associated with the Special Access Service. Line side terminations are available with either dial pulse or dual tone multifrequency address signaling.

(d) <u>Intercept</u>

The Intercept function provides for the termination of a call at a Telephone Company Intercept operator or recording. The operator or recording tells a caller why a call, as dialed, could not be completed, and if possible, provides the correct number.

- 6. <u>Switched Access Service</u> (Cont'd)
 - 6.1 General (Cont'd)
 - 6.1.3 Rate Categories (Cont'd)
 - (B) End Office (Cont'd)
 - (2) <u>Information Surcharge</u>

Information Surcharge rates are assessed to a customer based on the total number of access minutes. Information Surcharge rates are as set forth in 16.2.3(B) following. The application of these rates with respect to individual Feature Groups is as set forth in 6.4.1(C) following.

The information Surcharge does not apply to Feature Groups B and D Switched Access Services associated with Mobile Telephone Switching Offices (MTSOs) directly interconnected to a Telephone Company access tandem office.

The number of end office switching transmission paths will be determined as set forth in 6.2.5 following.

(C) Chargeable Optional Features

Where facilities permit, the Telephone Company will, at the option of the customer, provide the following chargeable optional features.

- 6. Switched Access Service (Cont'd)
 - 6.1 General (Cont'd)
 - 6.1.3 Rate Categories (Cont'd)
 - (C) Chargeable Optional Features (Cont'd)
 - Interim 900 NXX Translation (1)

The Interim 900 NXX Translation rate element provides for customer identification when calls are directed by end users in the 1+SAC+NXX-XXXX (e.g., 1+900+NXX-XXXX) format. The NXX codes are assigned to specific customers in conformance with the North American Numbering Plan (NANP). NXX code assignment(s) will be made by the Bellcore NANP Coordinator. The

Telephone Company will use the NXX code to identify the customer to whose point of termination the traffic is to be delivered, (i.e., at appropriately equipped electronic end offices, access tandems or through contracted arrangements with other parties.) It is then the responsibility of the customer to do any further translation the customer deems necessary to route the call. Customer assigned NXX codes which have not been ordered will be blocked.

A nonrecurring charge, as set forth in 16.2.1 following, is associated with this optional feature. This nonrecurring charge is assessed by the Telephone Company on a per order, applied in lieu of the Access Order Charge specified in 16.4.1(A) following. The nonrecurring charge is assessed

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- 6. <u>Switched Access Service</u> (Cont'd)
 - 6.1 General (Cont'd)
 - 6.1.3 Rate Categories (Cont'd)
 - (C) <u>Chargeable Optional Features</u> (Cont'd)
 - (1) <u>Interim 900 NXX Translation</u> (Cont'd)

only by the Telephone Company that provides the final translation function. A Telephone Company is said to have provided the final Interim NXX Translation when its translation identifies the customer's traffic and this traffic is then delivered to the customer's point of termination without any further translation. The description and application of this charge with respect to Feature Group D is as set forth in 6.4.1(B)(2) and 6.4.1(C) following.

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- (2) <u>800 Data Base</u>
 - 800 Data Base Access Service is provide to all customers in conjunction with FGD switched access service. When a 1+800 Series-NXX-XXXX call is originated by an end user, the Telephone Company will utilize the Signaling System 7 (SS7) network to query an 800 Series data base to identify the customer to whom the call will be delivered and provide vertical features based on the dialed ten digits. The call will then be routed to the identified customer over FGD switches access.

A Basic or Vertical Feature Query charge, as set forth in 16.2.2(B) following, is assessed for each query launched to the data base which identifies the customer to whom the call will be delivered.

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- 6. <u>Switched Access Service</u> (Cont'd)
 - 6.1 General (Cont'd)
 - 6.1.3 Rate Categories (Cont'd)
 - (C) Chargeable Optional Features (Cont'd)
 - (2) 800 Data Base (Cont'd)

The Basic Query provides the identification of the customer to whom the call will be delivered and includes area of service routing which allows routing of originating 800 Series calls by the Telephone Company to different interexchange carriers. The Vertical Feature Query provides the same customer identification as the basic query and vertical features which may include: (1) call validation, (ensuring that calls originate from subscribed service areas); (2) POTS translation of 800 Series numbers; (3) alternate POTS translation (which allows subscribers to vary the routing of 800 Series (calls based on factors such as time of day, place or origination of the call, etc.); and (4) multiple carrier routing (which allows subscribers to route to different carriers based on factors similar to those in (3).

The description and application of this charge with respect to Feature Group D is as set forth in 6.4.1(C) following.

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6. <u>Switched Access Service</u> (Cont'd)

6.1 <u>General</u> (Cont'd)

6.1.4 Special Facilities Routing

Any customer may request that the facilities used to provide Switched Access Service be specially routed. The regulations for Special Facilities Routing (i.e., Avoidance, Diversity and Cable-Only) are set forth in Section 11 following.

6.1.5 <u>Design Layout Report</u>

At the request of the customer, the Telephone Company will provide to the customer the makeup of the facilities and services provided from the customer's premises to the first point of switching. This information will be provided in the form of a Design Layout Report. The Design Layout Report will be provided to the customer at no charge, and will be reissued or updated whenever these facilities are materially changed.

6.2 <u>Undertaking of the Telephone Company</u>

In addition to the obligations of the Telephone Company set forth in Section 2 preceding, the Telephone Company has certain other obligations concerning only the provision of Switched Access Service. These obligations are as follows:

6. <u>Switched Access Service</u> (Cont'd)

6.2 <u>Undertaking of the Telephone Company</u> (Cont'd)

6.2.1 Network Management

The Telephone Company will administer its network to insure the provision of acceptable service levels to all telecommunications users of the Telephone Company's network services. Generally, service levels are considered acceptable only when both end users and customers are able to establish connections with little or no delay encountered within the Telephone Company network. The Telephone Company maintains the right to apply protective controls, i.e., those actions, such as call gapping, which selectively cancel the completion of traffic, over any traffic carried over its network, including that associated with a customer's Switched Access Service. Generally, such protective measures would only be taken as a result of occurrences such as failure or overload of Telephone Company or customer facilities, natural disasters, mass calling or national security demands. In the event that the protective controls applied by the Telephone Company result in the complete loss of service by the customer, the customer will be granted a Credit Allowance for Service Interruption as set forth in 2.4.4(B)(3) preceding.

6.2.2 Transmission Specifications

Each Switched Access Service transmission path is provided with standard transmission specifications. There are three different standard specifications (Types A, B and C). The standard for a particular transmission path is dependent on the Feature Group, the Interface Group and whether the service is

- 6. <u>Switched Access Service</u> (Cont'd)
 - 6.2 <u>Undertaking of the Telephone Company</u> (Cont'd)
 - 6.2.2 Transmission Specifications (Cont'd)

directly routed or via an access tandem. The available transmission specifications are set forth in 14.1.2 following. Data Transmission Parameters are also provided with each Switched Access Service transmission path. The Telephone Company will, upon notification by the customer that the data parameters set forth in 14.1.3 following are not being met, conduct tests independently or in cooperation with the customer, and take any necessary action to insure that the data parameters are met.

The Telephone Company will maintain existing transmission specifications on functioning service configurations installed prior to May 25, 1984, except that service configurations having performance specifications exceeding the standards set forth in 14.1.2 following will be maintained at the performance levels specified.

The transmission specifications concerning Switched Access Service are limits which, when exceeded, may require the immediate corrective action of the Telephone Company. The transmission specifications are set forth in 14.1.2 following. Acceptance limits are set forth in Technical Reference TR-NWT-000334. This Technical Reference also provides the basis for determining Switched Access Service maintenance limits.

6. <u>Switched Access Service</u> (Cont'd)

6.2 <u>Undertaking of the Telephone Company</u> (Cont'd)

6.2.3 Provision of Service Performance Data

Subject to availability, end-to-end service performance data available to the Telephone Company through its own service evaluation routines, may also be made available to the customer based on previously arranged intervals and format. These data provide information on overall end-to-end call completion and non-completion performance, e.g., customer equipment blockage, failure results and transmission performance. These data do not include service performance data which are provided under other tariff sections, e.g., testing service results. If data are to be provided in other than paper format, the charges for such exchange will be determined on an individual case basis.

6.2.4 Testing

(A) <u>Acceptance Testing</u>

At no additional charge the Telephone Company will, at the customer's request, cooperatively test at the time of installation, the following parameters: loss, C-notched noise, C-message noise, 3-tone slope, d.c. continuity and operational signaling. When the Local Transport is provided with Interface Groups 2 through 10, and the Transport Termination is two-wire (i.e., there is a four-wire to two-wire conversion in Local Transport), balance parameters (equal level echo path loss) may also be tested.

- 6. <u>Switched Access Service</u> (Cont'd)
 - 6.2 <u>Undertaking of the Telephone Company</u> (Cont'd)
 - 6.2.4 <u>Testing</u> (Cont'd)
 - (B) Routine Testing

At no additional charge, the Telephone Company will, at the customer's request, test after installation on an automatic or manual basis, 1004 Hz loss, C- message noise and Balance (Return loss).

In the case of automatic testing, the customer shall provide remote office test lines and 105 test lines with associated responders or their functional equivalent.

The frequency of these tests will be that which is mutually agreed upon by the customer and the Telephone Company, but shall consist of not less than quarterly 1004 Hz Loss and C-message noise tests and an annual Balance test. Trunk test failures requiring customer participation for trouble resolution will be provided to the customer on an as-occurs basis.

Additional tests may be ordered as set forth in 13.3.1 following. Charges for these additional tests are set forth in 16.4.4 following.

6. <u>Switched Access Service</u> (Cont'd)

6.2 <u>Undertaking of the Telephone Company</u> (Cont'd)

6.2.5 Determination of Number of Transmission Paths

For Feature Groups A and B, which are ordered on a per line or per trunk basis respectively, and Feature Group D when ordered on a per trunk basis, the customer specifies the type

of transport facilities and the number of channels in the order

for service.

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For Tandem Switched Transport, the Telephone Company
will determine the number of Switched Access Service
transmission paths to be provided for Switched Access Feature
Group D. The number of transmission paths
provided shall be the number required based on (1) the use of
access tandem switches and end office switches, (2) the use of
the end office switches only, or (3) the use of the tandem switches
only.

6.2.6 Trunk Group Measurement Reports

Subject to availability, the Telephone Company will make available trunk group data in the form of usage in CBS, peg count and overflow, to the customer based on previously agreed to intervals.

6.3 Obligations of the Customer

In addition to the obligations of the customer set forth in 2.3 preceding, the customer has certain specific obligations pertaining to the use of Switched Access Service. These obligations are as follows:

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6. <u>Switched Access Service</u> (Cont'd)

6.3 Obligations of the Customer (Cont'd)

6.3.1 Report Requirements

Customers are responsible for providing the following reports to the Telephone Company, when applicable.

(A) <u>Jurisdictional Reports</u>

When a customer orders Switched Access Service for both interstate and intrastate use, the customer is responsible for providing reports as set forth in 2.3.11 preceding. Charges will be apportioned in accordance with those reports. The method to be used for determining the interstate charges is set forth in 2.3.12 preceding.

(B) <u>Code Screening Reports</u>

When a customer orders service class routing, trunk access limitation or call gapping arrangements, it must report the number of trunks and/or the appropriate codes to be instituted in each end office or access tandem switch for each of the arrangements ordered.

6.3.2 Trunk Group Measurement Reports

With the agreement of the customer, trunk group data in the form of usage in CBS, peg count and overflow for its end of all access trunk groups, where technologically feasible, will be made available to the Telephone Company. These data will be used to monitor trunk group utilization and service performance and will be based on previously arranged intervals and format.

6. <u>Switched Access Service</u> (Cont'd)

6.3.3 <u>Supervisory Signaling</u>

The customer's facilities shall provide the necessary on-hook, off-hook, answer and disconnect supervision.

6.3.4 Short Duration Mass Calling Requirements

When a customer offers service for which a substantial call volume is expected during a short period of time (e.g., 900 service media stimulated events), the customer must notify the Telephone Company at least 48 hours in advance of each peak period. Notification should include the nature, time, duration, and frequency of the event, an estimated call volume, and the telephone number(s) to be used.

On the basis of the information provided, the Telephone Company may invoke network management controls, (e.g., call gapping and code blocking) to reduce the probability of excessive network congestion. The Telephone Company will work cooperatively with the customer to determine the appropriate level of such control.

6.4 Rate Regulations

This section contains the specific regulations governing the rates and charges that apply for Switched Access Service.

6.4.1 Description and Application of Rates and Charges

There are two types of rates and charges that apply to Switched Access Service; recurring (usage and flat rates) and nonrecurring charges. These rates and charges are applied differently to the various rate elements as set forth in (C) following.

- 6. <u>Switched Access Service</u> (Cont'd)
 - 6.4 Rate Regulations (Cont'd)
 - 6.4.1 <u>Description and Application of Rates and Charges</u> (Cont'd)
 - (A) Recurring Rates
 - (1) Usage Rates for Switched Access Service are rates that apply on a per access minute or a per call basis. Access minute charges per call charges are accumulated over a monthly period.
 - (2) Flat Rates for Switched Access Service are rates that apply on a per month rate element basis.
 - (B) Nonrecurring Charges

Nonrecurring charges are one-time charges that apply for a specific work activity (i.e., installation or change to an existing service). The types of nonrecurring charges that apply for Switched Access Service are: installation of service, Interim 900 NXX Translation optional feature and service rearrangements. These charges, with the exception of the Interim 900 NXX Translation optional feature, are in addition to the Access Order Charge as specified in 16.4.1(A) following.

- 6. <u>Switched Access Service</u> (Cont'd)
 - 6.4 Rate Regulations (Cont'd)
 - 6.4.1 <u>Description and Application of Rates and Charges</u> (Cont'd)
 - (B) Nonrecurring Charges (Cont'd)
 - (1) <u>Installation of Service</u>

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A Local Transport nonrecurring installation charge, as set forth in 16.2.1(A) following, will be applied at the serving wire center for each Entrance Facility installed. Additionally, a nonrecurring trunk activation charge as set forth in 16.2.1(E) following, will be applied at each end office when ordered to the end office on a per order per end office basis or at the tandem when ordered to the tandem for each group of 24 Direct Trunked Transport trunks or fraction thereof that is activated (i.e., designated by the customer to carry switched access). A maximum of 24 trunks can be activated on a DS1 facility and a maximum of 672 trunks can be activated on a DS3 facility.

For example, if a customer orders a DS1 Entrance Facility and requests activation of 18 of the available circuits, the customer will be charged one Local Transport High Capacity DS1

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- 6. <u>Switched Access Service</u> (Cont'd)
 - 6.4 Rate Regulations (Cont'd)
 - 6.4.1 <u>Description and Application of Rates and Charges</u> (Cont'd)
 - (B) Nonrecurring Charges (Cont'd)

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(1) <u>Installation of Service</u> (Cont'd)

Installation nonrecurring charge at the serving wire center and one Direct Trunked Transport Activation nonrecurring charge at the end office. If at a later date the customer requests the activation of three more circuits, the customer will then be charged an additional Direct Trunked Transport Activation nonrecurring charge. These charges are in addition to the Access Order Charge as specified in 16.4.1(A) following.

Interim 900 NXX Translation Optional Feature

This nonrecurring charge applies to the initial order for the installation of the Interim 900 NXX Translation optional feature with Feature Group D Switched Access Service and for each subsequent order received to add or change 900 NXX translation codes. This charge, if applicable, applies whether this optional feature is installed coincident with or at any time subsequent to the installation of Switched Access Services. This charge is applied by the

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- 6. <u>Switched Access Service</u> (Cont'd)
 - 6.4 Rate Regulations (Cont'd)
 - 6.4.1 <u>Description and Application of Rates and Charges</u> (Cont'd)
 - (B) Nonrecurring Charges (Cont'd)
 - (2) <u>Interim 900 NXX Translation Optional Feature</u> (Cont'd)

Telephone Company per order. When it is necessary for multiple telephone companies to provide the translation function, the nonrecurring charge is assessed only by the Telephone Company that provides the final translation function which identifies the customer's traffic and this traffic is then delivered to the customer's point of termination without any further translation.

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- 6. <u>Switched Access Service</u> (Cont'd)
 - 6.4 Rate Regulations (Cont'd)
 - 6.4.1 <u>Description and Application of Rates and Charges</u> (Cont'd)
 - (B) Nonrecurring Charges (Cont'd)
 - (2) <u>Interim 900 NXX Translation Optional Feature</u> (Cont'd)

applied by the Telephone Company per order. When it is necessary for multiple telephone companies to provide the translation function, the nonrecurring charge is assessed by only the Telephone Company that provides the final translation function which identifies the customer's traffic and this traffic is then delivered to the customer's point of termination without any further translation.

(3) <u>Service Rearrangements</u>

All changes to existing services other than changes involving administrative activities and the off-hook supervisory signaling of FGA Access Services, will be treated as a discontinuance of the existing service and an installation of a new service. The nonrecurring charge described in (1) preceding will apply for this work activity. Moves that change the physical location of the point of termination are described and charged as set forth in 6.4.4 following.

- 6. <u>Switched Access Service</u> (Cont'd)
 - 6.4 Rate Regulations (Cont'd)
 - 6.4.1 <u>Description and Application of Rates and Charges</u> (Cont'd)
 - (B) Nonrecurring Charges (Cont'd)
 - (3) <u>Service Rearrangements</u> (Cont'd)
 - If, due to technical limitations of the Telephone Company, a customer could not combine its Interim NXX traffic with its other trunk side Switched Access Services, no charge shall apply to combine these trunk groups when it becomes technically possible.

Administrative changes will be made without charge(s) to the customer. Administrative changes are as follows:

- Change of customer name,
- Change of customer or customer's end user premises address when the change of address is not a result of a physical relocation of equipment,
- Change in billing date (name, address, or contact name or telephone number),
- Change in billing date (name, address, or contact name or telephone number),
- Change of agency authorization,

- 6. <u>Switched Access Service</u> (Cont'd)
 - 6.4 Rate Regulations (Cont'd)
 - 6.4.1 <u>Description and Application of Rates and Charges</u> (Cont'd)
 - (B) Nonrecurring Charges (Cont'd)
 - (3) <u>Service Rearrangements</u> (Cont'd)
 - Change of customer circuit identification,
 - Change of billing account number,
 - Change of customer test line number,
 - Change of customer or customer's end user contact name or telephone number, and
 - Change of jurisdiction.

Other changes made without charge to the customer are as follows:

 Changes and additions to existing Switched Access Services which are necessary due to Telephone Company initiated network reconfiguration, and required to provide the same grade of service to the customer that existed prior to the reconfiguration, will be made without charge to the customer.

Charges will apply to those changes and additions which are in excess of those required to provide the same grade of service and/or capacity. Grade of service will be as determined by industry standard engineering tables.

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6.4 Rate Regulations (Cont'd)

6.4.1 <u>Description and Application of Rates and Charges</u> (Cont'd)

(B) Nonrecurring Charges (Cont'd)

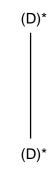
(3) <u>Service Rearrangements</u> (Cont'd)

- When a customer requests a change of trunks from tandem-switched transport to direct-trunked transport or from direct-trunked transport to tandem-switched transport, or (C) requests to rearrange Switched Access service (C) between lower capacity and higher capacity (C) facilities (e.g., voice grade to/from DS-1 or (C) DS-1 to/from DS-3), the nonrecurring charges set forth in (1) preceding do not apply providing:
- the change is ordered no later than July 1, (C) 1994 and
- the change is completed no later than October 1, (C) 1994, and
- the orders to disconnect existing trunks and to connect the new trunks are placed at the same time, and
- the number of installed trunks does not exceed the number of trunks disconnected, all non-recurring charges will apply to the excess trunks unless the customer provides justification based upon standard engineering methods to show that the additional capacity is required to maintain the same level of service.

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- 6. <u>Switched Access Service</u> (Cont'd)
 - 6.4 Rate Regulations (Cont'd)
 - 6.4.1 Description and Application of Rates and Charges (Cont'd)
 - B) Nonrecurring Charges (Cont'd)
 - (3) <u>Service Rearrangements</u> (Cont'd)



Changes to the point in time when the off-hook supervisory signal is provided in the originating call sequence i.e., when the off-hook supervisory signal is changed from being provided by the customer's equipment before the called party answers to being forwarded by the customer's equipment when the called party answers or vice versa, are subject to the Access Order Charge as set forth in 16.4.1(A) following.

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- 6. <u>Switched Access Service</u> (Cont'd)
 - 6.4 Rate Regulations (Cont'd)
 - 6.4.1 <u>Description and Application of Rates and Charges</u> (Cont'd)
 - (B) Nonrecurring Charges (Cont'd)
 - (3) <u>Service Rearrangements</u> (Cont'd)

For additions, changes or modifications to an optional feature which has a separate nonrecurring charge, that nonrecurring charge will apply.

For additions, changes, or modifications to optional features that do not have their own separate nonrecurring charges, an Access Order Charge as set forth in 16.4.1(A) following will apply. When an optional feature is not required on each transmission path, but rather for an entire transmission path group, an end office or an access tandem switch, only one such charge will apply (i.e., it will not apply per transmission path).

For conversion of FGD trunks from multifrequency address signaling to SS7 signaling or from SS7 signaling to multifrequency address signaling, nonrecurring charges will apply as set forth in 16.2.1(C).

6. <u>Switched Access Service</u> (Cont'd)

6.4 Rate Regulations (Cont'd)

6.4.1 <u>Description and Application of Rates and Charges</u> (Cont'd)

(C) Application of Rates

Rates are applied as premium rates.

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The application of these rates is dependent upon the Feature Group, type of Entrance Facility, and type of transport (e.g., Direct Trunked Transport, Tandem Switched Transport, type of Multiplexing).

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The following rules provide the basis for applying the rates and charges:

(1) <u>Premium Rates</u>

Premium rates apply to all access minutes that originate or terminate at end offices equipped with equal access (i.e., FGD) capabilities and to Directory Transport Service. Premium rates also apply to FGB and FGD access minutes that originate or terminate at a Mobile Telephone Switching Office (MTSO) that is directly connected to a Telephone Company access tandem office. In addition, premium rates apply to FGB access minutes when utilized in the provision of MTS/WATS service.

Premium rates will apply to all of the flat rated rate elements (i.e., Entrance Facility, Direct Trunked Facility, Direct Trunked Termination, and Multiplexing).

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- 6. <u>Switched Access Service</u> (Cont'd)
 - 6.4 Rate Regulations (Cont'd)
 - 6.4.1 <u>Description and Application of Rates and Charges</u> (Cont'd)
 - (C) Application of Rates (Cont'd)
 - (2) <u>Common Channel Signaling/Signaling System 7</u> (CBS/SS7) Network Connection

The CBS/SS7 Network Connection is comprised of a Signaling Mileage Facility charge, a Signaling Mileage Termination charge, a Signaling Entrance Facility charge, and a Signaling Transfer Point (STP) Port charge. (S)*

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- 6. <u>Switched Access Service</u> (Cont'd)
 - 6.4 Rate Regulations (Cont'd)
 - 6.4.1 <u>Description and Application of Rates and Charges</u> (Cont'd)
 - (C) Application of Rates
 - (2) <u>Common Channel Signaling/Signaling System 7</u> (CBS/SS7) Network Connection (Cont'd)

The Signaling Mileage Facility charge is assessed on a per facility per mile basis. The Signaling Mileage Termination charge is assessed on a per termination basis (i.e., at each end of the Signaling Mileage Facility). When the Signaling Mileage Facility mileage measurement is zero, Signaling Mileage Termination charges do not apply.

The Signaling Entrance Facility charge is assessed on a per facility basis for the connection between the customer's designated premises (Signaling Point of Interface) and the serving wire center of that premises.

The STP Port charge is assessed on a per port basis for each termination of a Signaling Mileage Facility at an STP.

- 6. <u>Switched Access Service</u> (Cont'd)
 - 6.4 Rate Regulations (Cont'd)
 - 6.4.1 <u>Description and Application of Rates and Charges</u> (Cont'd)
 - (C) Application of Rates (Cont'd)
 - (3) 800 Data Base Access Service

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A Basic Query or Vertical Feature Query charge applies for each query that is launched to an 800 data base and identifies the customer to whom the call will be delivered. Query charges, as set forth in 16.2.2(B), will only be applied by those companies whose wire centers are identified as assessing query charges in the NATIONAL EXCHANGE CARRIER ASSOCIATION, INC. TARIFF F.C.C. No. 4.

When Feature Group D switched access service is used for the provision of 800 Data Base Access

Service and the total minutes of use and/or count of queries can be determined for each customer at a tandem or SSP but can not be determined by individual end office, an allocation method will be utilized to determine minutes of use and/or queries by end office and customer. For each end office a

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6.	Switched	Access	<u>Service</u>	(Cont'd)	

6.4 Rate Regulations (Cont'd)

6.4.1 Description and Application of Rates and Charges (Cont'd)

- (C) Application of Rates (Cont'd)
 - (3) 800 Data Base Access Service (Cont'd) (T)*

ratio will be developed and applied against the total minutes of use and/or count of queries for a given customer as determined by the tandem or SSP. These ratios will be developed by dividing the unidentified originating 800 series minutes of use at an end office by the total unidentified originating minutes of use in all end offices subtending the tandem or SSP. For example, assume:

Three end offices (EO-1, EO-2, and EO-3) subtend a tandem

EO-1 measures 2,000 minutes of 800 use (T)*
EO-2 measures 3,000 minutes of 800 use (T)*
EO-3 measures 5,000 minutes of 800 use (T)*
10,000 TOTAL

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The tandem delivers 800 usage to (T)* two customers:

IC-A has 4,000 minutes of use IC-B has 6,000 minutes of use

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- 6. <u>Switched Access Service</u> (Cont'd)
 - 6.4 Rate Regulations (Cont'd)
 - 6.4.1 <u>Description and Application of Rates and Charges</u> (Cont'd)
 - (C) Application of Rates (Cont'd)
 - (3) 800 Data Base Access Service (Cont'd) (T)*
 - The allocation ratio for EO-1 is 20% 2,000/10,000
 - The minutes of use to be billed by EO-1 are

800 to IC-A (20% X 4,000) 1,200 to IC-B (20% X 6,000) 2,000 TOTAL

(4) Shared Transport

Shared Transport refers to a rate application that is applicable only when the customer orders High Capacity Direct Trunked Transport between a serving wire center and a Telephone Company hub where the Telephone Company performs multiplexing/de-multiplexing functions and the same customer then orders the derived channels as Direct Trunked Transport and Tandem Switched Transport. When the same customer also orders Special Access Service to be provided over this same high capacity facility, this service is considered to be Mixed Use and the regulations set forth in 7.2.7 following must first be applied to separate the portion to be charged as Switched Access Service.

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- 6. Switched Access Service (Cont'd)
 - 6.4 Rate Regulations (Cont'd)
 - 6.4.1 Description and Application of Rates and Charges (Cont'd)
 - (C) Application of Rates (Cont'd)
 - (4) **Shared Transport** (Cont'd)

Except as noted previously, the Switched Access Service will be ordered, provided and rated as Direct Trunked Transport (i.e., Direct Trunked Facility and Direct Trunked Termination). As each derived channel is activated for Tandem Switched Transport, the High Capacity Direct Trunked Transport and Multiplexing rates will be reduced accordingly (e.g., 1/24th for a High Capacity DS1 service, 1/672nd for a High Capacity DS3 service, etc.). Tandem Switched Transport rates and charges, as set forth in 16.2.2 following, will apply for each channel that is used to provide the Tandem Switched Transport.

The following example, while not all inclusive, illustrates the application of the Shared Transport provisions cited above and the Mixed Use provision set forth in 7.2.7 following. The sample calculations explained on page 6-41.02 depict the application of charges as they apply to the shared facilities only. All other rate elements that would apply to this example (e.g., Residual Interconnection, Carrier Common Line, End Office, Voice Grade Direct Trunked Transport from EO-B to the Tandem, Voice Grade Channel Mileage from EO-C to the Tandem, etc.) are billed as described elsewhere in this tariff.

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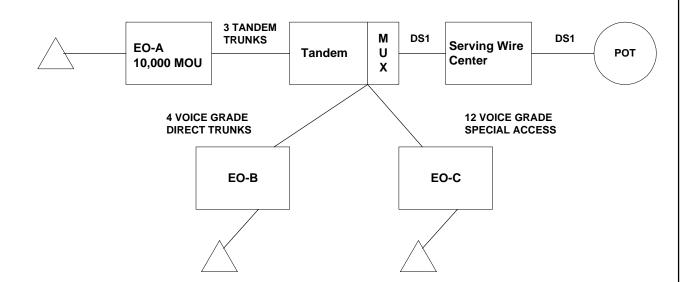
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6.4 Rate Regulations (Cont'd)

6.4.1 <u>Description and Application of Rates and Charges</u> (Cont'd)

(C) Application of Rates (Cont'd)

(4) Shared Transport (Cont'd)



Assume:

The customer orders:

- 3 tandem routed Switched Access trunks to End Office-A (EO-A)
- 4 direct routed Switched Access trunks to End Office-B (EO-B)
- 12 Voice Grade Special Access channels to End Office-C (EO-C)
- 1 DS1 facility between their POT and the Tandem/Multiplexer
- Usage at EO-A is 10,000 Minutes of Use (MOU)

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- 6. <u>Switched Access Service</u> (Cont'd)
 - 6.4 Rate Regulations (Cont'd)
 - 6.4.1 <u>Description and Application of Rates and Charges</u> (Cont'd)
 - (C) Application of Rates (Cont'd)
 - (4) Shared Transport (Cont'd)

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Calculation of Charges POT to Serving Wire Center

Since this facility carriers both Switched and Special Access Services, the Mixed Use provisions set forth in 7.2.7 following must be applied. This service is initially ordered and rated as a Special Access DS1 High Capacity Channel Termination (DS1-CT). This Special Access Charge is then reduced for each activated Switched Access Service. High Capacity DS1 Entrance Facility (DS1-EF) charges apply for the portion of this service that is activated for Switched Access Service.

DS1-CT charge - DS1-CT rate x (capacity of a

DS1 minus the number of activated Switched Access Services)/(capacity of a DS1)

- DS1-CT rate x (24 - 7)/(24)

DS1-CT rate x (17/24)

DS1-EF charge - DS1-EF rate x (number of

activated Switched Access Services)/(capacity of a DS1)

DS1-EF rate x (7/24)

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 - 6.4 Rate Regulations (Cont'd)
 - 6.4.1 <u>Description and Application of Rates and Charges</u> (Cont'd)
 - (C) Application of Rates (Cont'd)
 - (4) Shared Transport (Cont'd)

<u>Calculation of Facility Charges from Serving Wire</u> (Center to Tandem and Multiplexer

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Since the interoffice facility and the multiplexer both carry Switched and Special Access Services, they must first be apportioned between these two categories by applying the Mixed Use provisions set forth in 7.2.7 following. Using the same ratios calculated above, the Special Access DS1 High Capacity Channel Mileage Facility (DS1-CMF), Channel Mileage Termination (DS1-CMT), and Multiplexer (Spcl.-MUX) charges are:

DS1-CMF - DS1-CMF rate x airline miles between Tandem/Multiplexer and Serving Wire Center x (17/24)

DS1-CMT - DS1-CMT rate x 2 terminations x (17/24)

Spcl./-MUX - DS1 to Voice Grade multiplexer rate x (17/24) (S)*

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- 6. <u>Switched Access Service</u> (Cont'd)
 - 6.4 Rate Regulations (Cont'd)
 - 6.4.1 <u>Description and Application of Rates and Charges</u> (Cont'd)
 - (C) Application of Rates (Cont'd)
 - (4) Shared Transport (Cont'd)

Calculation of Facility Charges from Serving Wire Center to Tandem and Multiplexer (Cont'd)

After applying the Mixed Use provisions to determine the Switched Access portion of these facilities, the Switched Access Facilities must then be apportioned between direct routed and tandem routed. This is accomplished by subtracting the portion of channels used for tandem routing from the portion of Switched Access channels. The remaining portion of channels are considered direct routed.

The Direct Trunked Facility (DS1-DTF), Direct Trunked Termination (DS1-DTT) and Switched Access Multiplexer (Sw-MUX) charges are:

DS1-DTF - DS1-DTF rate x airline miles between Tandem/Multiplexer and Serving Wire Center x ((number of activated Switched Access Services/capacity of a DS1) minus (number of channels activated for Tandem Switched Transport/capacity of a DS1))

DS1-DTF rate x miles x ((17/24 - (3/24))

- DS1-DTF rate x miles x (4/24)

DS1-DTT - DS1-DTT rate x 2 terminations x same ratio of (4/24)

Sw.-MUX - DS1 to Voice Grade multiplexer rate x same ratio of (4/24)

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- 6. <u>Switched Access Service</u> (Cont'd)
 - 6.4 Rate Regulations (Cont'd)
 - 6.4.1 <u>Description and Application of Rates and Charges</u> (Cont'd)
 - (C) Application of Rates (Cont'd)
 - (4) <u>Shared Transport</u> (Cont'd)

<u>Tandem Routing Charges (EO-A to Serving Wire Center)</u>

No adjustments are used to calculate the Tandem Switched Facility (TSF), Tandem Switched Termination (TST), or Tandem Switching charges. They are calculated as follows:

TSF - TSF rate x airline miles between EO-A and the serving wire center x 10,000 MOU

TST - TST rate x 2 termination x 10,000 MOU

TS - TS rate x 10,000 MOU (S)*

6.4.2 Minimum Monthly Charge

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Switched Access Service is subject to a minimum monthly charge. The minimum charge applies for the total capacity provided. The minimum monthly charge is calculated as follows.

For usage rated Local Transport, Local Switching and
Information Surcharge rate elements, the minimum monthly
charge is the sum of the recurring charges set forth in 16.2.2 and
16.2.3 following for either the actual measured usage or the
assumed usage prorated to the number of days or major fraction of
days based on a 30 day month.

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- 6. <u>Switched Access Service</u> (Cont'd)
 - 6.4 Rate Regulations (Cont'd)
 - 6.4.2 <u>Minimum Monthly Charge</u> (Cont'd)

For flat rated Local Transport rate elements, the minimum monthly charge is the sum of the recurring charges set forth in 16.2.2 following prorated to the number of days or major fraction of days on a 30-day month.

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6.4.3 <u>Change of Switched Access Service Arrangements</u>

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Changes from one type of Feature Group to another will be treated as a discontinuance of one type of service and a start of another. Nonrecurring charges will apply.

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6. <u>Switched Access Service</u> (Cont'd)

6.4 Rate Regulations (Cont'd)

6.4.4 Moves

A move involves a change in the physical location of one of the following:

- The point of termination at the customer designated premises
- The customer designated premises

The charges for the move are dependent on whether the move is to a new location within the same building or to a different building.

(A) Moves Within the Same Building

When the move is to a new location within the same building, the charge for the move will be an amount equal to one half of the installation nonrecurring charge for the capacity affected. This charge is in addition to the Access Order Charge as specified in 16.4.1(A) following. There will be no change in the minimum period requirements.

(B) Moves to a Different Building

Moves to a different building will be treated as a discontinuance and start of service and all associated nonrecurring charges will apply. New minimum period requirements will be established for the new service. The customer will also remain responsible for satisfying all outstanding minimum period charges for the discontinued service.

6. <u>Switched Access Service</u> (Cont'd)

6.4 Rate Regulations (Cont'd)

6.4.5 Local Information Delivery Services

Calls over Switched Access Service in the terminating direction to certain community information services will be rated under the applicable rates for Switched Access Service as set forth in 16.2 following.

6.4.6 <u>Mileage Measurement</u>

The mileage to be used to determine the monthly rate for $(S)^*$ Local Transport is calculated on airline distances between the end office switch, which may be a Remote Switching Module (where the call carried by Local Transport originates $(S)^*$ or terminates) and the customer's serving wire center. When $(S)^*$ Tandem Switched Transport or Direct Trunked Transport is ordered between the serving wire center and the end office, mileage is normally measured in one segment from the serving wire center to the end office. When Direct Trunked Transport is ordered between a serving wire center and a tandem and Tandem Switch Transport is ordered between the tandem and the end office, mileage is calculated separately for each segment. Exceptions to these methods are as set forth in (A) (S)* through (G) following. For SS7 signaling, the mileage to be (S)* used to determine the monthly rate for the Signaling Mileage Facility is calculated on the airline distance between the serving wire center associated with the customer's designated premises (Signaling Point of Interface) and the Telephone Company wire center providing the STP Port.

Where applicable, the V&H coordinates method is used to determine mileage. This method is set forth in the NATIONAL EXCHANGE CARRIER ASSOCIATION, INC. TARIFF F.C.C. NO. 4 for Wire Center Information (V&H coordinates).

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6. <u>Switched Access Service</u> (Cont'd)

6.4 Rate Regulations (Cont'd)

6.4.6 <u>Mileage Measurement</u> (Cont'd)

Mileage rates are as set forth in 16.2.2 following. To determine the rate to be billed, first compute the airline mileage using the V&H coordinates method. If the calculation results in a fraction of a mile, always round up to the next whole mile before determining the mileage and applying the rates. Then multiply the mileage by the appropriate rate. Exceptions to the mileage measurement rules are as follows: (S)*

(A) Feature Group A - Originating Usage

Direct Trunked Transport Mileage for premium rated access minutes in the originating direction over Feature Group A Switched Access Service will be calculated on an airline basis, using the V&H coordinates method. The mileage measurement will be between the first point of switching (end office switch where the Feature Group A switching dial tone is provided) and the customer's serving wire center for the Switched Access Service provided.

(B) Feature Group A Terminating Usage

The Local Transport mileage for terminating Feature Group A Switched Access Service will be measured in two segments. Direct Trunked Transport mileage will be measured between the customer's serving wire center and the first point of switching (i.e., the end office switch where the Feature Group A switching dial tone is provided). Tandem Switched Transport mileage will be measured between the first point of switching and the terminating end office.

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6. <u>Switched Access Service</u> (Cont'd)

6.4 Rate Regulations (Cont'd)

6.4.6 Mileage Measurement (Cont'd)

(C) Feature Group B and D - Alternate Traffic Routing (S)*

When the Alternate Traffic Routing optional feature is provided with Feature Group B or D, the Local Transport access minutes will be apportioned between the two trunk groups used to provide this feature. Such apportionment will be made using: (1) actual minutes of use if available, (2) standard Telephone Company traffic engineering methodology and will be based on the last trunk CBS desired for the high usage group, as described in 6.8.1(I) following (Alternate Traffic Routing), when the feature is provided at an end office switch, or the subtending end offices when the feature is provided at an access tandem switch or (3) an apportionment mutually agreed to by the Telephone Company and the customer. This apportionment will serve as the basis for Local Transport calculation.

(D) Feature Groups A, B, and D - WATS (S)*

The Local Transport Facility for Feature Groups A, B, and D Switched Access Service connected with Special Access Service at a WATS Serving Office will be measured between the WATS Serving Office and the serving wire center for the customer designated premises.

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6.4 Rate Regulations (Cont'd)

6.4.6 <u>Mileage Measurement</u> (Cont'd)

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(E) <u>Feature Groups B and D - MTSOs Directly</u> Interconnected to Access Tandems

The Local Transport mileage for Feature Groups B and D switched access services provided to Mobile Telephone Switching Offices (MTSOs) directly interconnected to a Telephone Company access tandem office will be determined on an airline basis, using the V&H coordinate method. The mileage will be measured between the customer's serving wire center and the Telephone Company access tandem office to which the MTSO is interconnected.

(F) Feature Groups B and D - Remote Offices

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The Local Transport mileage for Feature Groups B and D Switched Access Service provided to a Remote Office will be measured in multiple segments. When the facility is directly trunked to the Host Office, Direct Trunked Facility mileage will be measured between the customer's serving wire center and the Host Office, and Tandem Switched Facility mileage will be measured between the Host Office and the Remote Office. The Tandem Switching charge will not apply.

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6. <u>Switched Access Service</u> (Cont'd)

6.4 Rate Regulations (Cont'd)

6.4.6 Mileage Measurement (Cont'd)

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(F) Feature Groups B and D - Remote Offices (Cont'd)

When the facility is directly trunked to a tandem, Direct Trunked Facility will be measured from the Serving Wire Center to the tandem, Tandem Switched Facility will be measured from the tandem to the host, and another segment of Tandem Switched Facility will be measured from the host to the remote. A Tandem Switching charge would be applicable at the tandem.

When service to the remote is ordered as only Tandem Switched Facility, mileage will be measured between the serving wire center and the remote. The Tandem Switching charge will be applicable at the tandem.

(G) <u>Use of Telephone Company Hubs</u>

When multiplexing is performed at Telephone Company Hubs, mileage is computed and rates applied separately for each segment of the Local Transport Direct Trunked Facility (i.e., customer serving wire center to Hub and Hub to end office).

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6. <u>Switched Access Service</u> (Cont'd)

6.4 Rate Regulations (Cont'd)

6.4.7 Mixed Use

Mixed use occurs when Switched Access Service and Special Access Service are provided over the same High Capacity service through a common interface. The regulations governing the provision of Mixed Use Facilities are set forth in 5.2.4 preceding and 7.2.7 following.

6.4.8 Message Unit Credit for Feature Group A

Calls from end users to the seven digit local telephone numbers associated with Feature Group A Switched Access Service are subject to Telephone Company local and/or general exchange service tariff charges (including message unit and toll charges as applicable). The monthly bills rendered to customers for their Feature Group A Switched Access Service will include a credit to reflect any message unit charges collected from their end users under the Telephone Company's local and/or general exchange service tariffs. No credit will apply for any terminating FGA access minutes. The message unit credit for originating access minutes will be based on the generally applicable message unit charges of the Telephone Company.

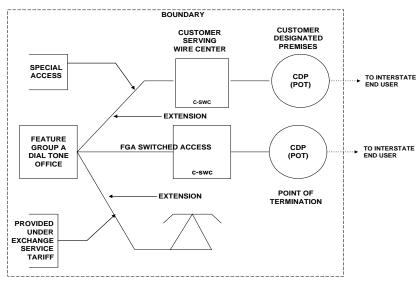
6. <u>Switched Access Service</u> (Cont'd)

6.4 Rate Regulations (Cont'd)

6.4.9 <u>Application of Rates for Feature Group A Extension Service</u>

Feature Group A Switched Access Service is available with extensions, i.e., additional terminations of the service at different customer designated premises. Feature Group A extensions within the same state as the dial tone office are provided and charged under the Alaska Exchange Carrier's Association tariff. Feature Group A extensions located in a different state are provided and charged as Special Access Service. The rate elements which apply are: A Voice Grade Channel Termination, Channel Mileage, if applicable, and Signaling Capability (optional features and functions), if applicable. All appropriate monthly rates and nonrecurring charges set forth in 16.3.2 following will apply.

In the example below, two CDPs are utilized to better illustrate the concept. From a practical standpoint, both the Switched Access and Special Access Services could be routed via the same CDP.



FEATURE GROUP A EXTENSION SERVICE

- 6. <u>Switched Access Service</u> (Cont'd)
 - 6.5 <u>Description and Provision of Feature Group A (FGA)</u>

6.5.1 Description

- (A) FGA Access, which is available to all customers, provides line side access to Telephone Company end office switches with an associated seven digit local telephone number for the customer's use in originating communications from and terminating communications to an Interexchange Carrier's Interstate Service or a customer - provided interstate communications capability. The customer must specify the Interexchange Carrier to which the FGA service is connected or, in the alternative, specify the means by which the FGA access communications is transported to another state. Special Access Services utilized for connection with FGA at Telephone Company designated WATS Serving Offices as set forth in Section 7 following may be ordered separately by a customer other than the customer which orders the FGA Switched Access Service for the provision of WATS-type services. Special Access Services are ordered as set forth in 5.2 preceding.
- (B) FGA Switching is provided at all end office switches. At the option of the customer, FGA is provided on a single or multiple line group basis and is arranged for originating calling only, terminating calling only, or two-way calling which are specified by the customer's order for service.
- (C) FGA provides a line side termination at the first point of switching (dial tone office). The line side termination will be provided with either ground start supervisory signaling or loop start supervisory signaling. The type of signaling is at the option of the customer.

- 6. <u>Switched Access Service</u> (Cont'd)
 - 6.5 <u>Description and Provision of Feature Group A (FGA)</u> (Cont'd)
 - 6.5.1 <u>Description</u> (Cont'd)
 - (D) The Telephone Company shall select the first point of switching, at which the line side termination is to be provided unless the customer requests a different first point of switching and Telephone Company facilities and measurement capabilities, where necessary, are available to accommodate such a request.
 - (E) A seven digit local telephone number assigned by the Telephone Company is provided for access to FGA switching in the originating direction. The seven digit local telephone number will be associated with the selected end office switch and is of the form NXX-XXXX.
 - If the customer requests a specific seven digit telephone number that is not currently assigned, and the Telephone Company can, with reasonable effort, comply with that request, the requested number will be assigned to the customer.
 - (F) FGA switching, when used in the terminating direction, is arranged with dial tone start-dial signaling. When used in the terminating direction FGA switching may, at the option of the customer, be arranged for dial pulse or dual tone multifrequency address signaling, subject to availability of equipment at the first point of switching. When FGA switching is provided in a hunt group or uniform call distribution arrangement, all FGA switching will be arranged for the same type of address signaling.

- 6. <u>Switched Access Service</u> (Cont'd)
 - 6.5 <u>Description and Provision of Feature Group A (FGA)</u> (Cont'd)
 - 6.5.1 <u>Description</u> (Cont'd)
 - (G) No address signaling is provided by the Telephone Company when FGA switching is used in the originating direction. Address signaling in such cases, if required by the customer, must be provided by the customer's end user using inband tone signaling techniques. Such inband tone address signals will not be regenerated by the Telephone Company and will be subject to the ordinary transmission capabilities of the Local Transport provided.
 - (H) FGA switching, when used in the terminating direction, may be used to access valid NXXs in the Telephone Company's serving area, local operator service (0- and 0+), Directory Assistance (411 where available and 555-1212), emergency reporting service (911 where available), exchange telephone repair (611 where available), time or weather announcement services of the Telephone Company, community information services of an information service provider, and other customers' services (by dialing the appropriate digits).

Charges for FGA terminating calls requiring operator assistance or calls to 611 or 911 will only apply where sufficient call details are available. Additional non-access charges will also be billed on

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- 6. <u>Switched Access Service</u> (Cont'd)
 - 6.5 <u>Description and Provision of Feature Group A (FGA)</u> (Cont'd)
 - 6.5.1 <u>Description</u> (Cont'd)
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a separate account for (1) an operator surcharge, as set forth in the local exchange tariffs, for local operator assistance (0- and 0+) calls, (2) calls to certain community information services, for which rates are applicable under Telephone Company exchange service tariffs, and, (3) calls from a FGA line to another customer's service in accordance with that customer's applicable service rates when the Telephone Company performs the billing function for that customer.

For calls to Directory Assistance (411 and 555-1212, whichever is available), Local Transport rates for FGA Switched Access Service will apply. Additionally, calls to Directory Assistance are subject to the Directory Assistance Service Call rate set forth in 16.2.4(A) following.

(I) When a FGA switching arrangement for an individual customer (a single line or entire hunt group) is discontinued at an end office, an intercept announcement is provided. This arrangement provides, for a limited period of time, an announcement that the service associated with the number dialed has been disconnected.

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- 6. Switched Access Service (Cont'd)
 - 6.5 Description and Provision of Feature Group A (FGA) (Cont'd)
 - 6.5.1 <u>Description</u> (Cont'd)
 - (J) FGA will be provisioned over an Entrance Facility from the customer's premises to the customer's serving wire center.

FGA service, when used in the originating direction, will be provisioned as Direct Trunked Transport from the first point of switching (i.e., the end office switch where FGA switching dial tone is provided) to the customer's serving wire center.

FGA service, when used in the terminating direction, will be provisioned as Direct Trunked Transport from the customer's serving wire center to the first point of switching and provisioned as Tandem Switched Transport from the first point of switching to the terminating end office.

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- 6. <u>Switched Access Service</u> (Cont'd)
 - 6.5 <u>Description and Provision of Feature Group A (FGA)</u> (Cont'd)

6.5.2 Optional Features

Following are the various nonchargeable optional features that are available in lieu of, or in addition to, the standard features provided with Feature Group A. They are provided as Common Switching, Transport Termination or Local Transport options.

(A) Common Switching Options

Descriptions of the common switching optional features are set forth in 6.8.1 following.

- (1) Call Denial on Line or Hunt Group
- (2) Service Code Denial on Line or Hunt Group
- (3) <u>Hunt Group Arrangement</u>
- (4) <u>Uniform Call Distribution Arrangement</u>
- 5) Nonhunting Number for Use with Hunt Group or Uniform Call Distribution Arrangement
- (6) Band Advance Arrangement for Use with Special Access Service Utilized in the Provision of WATS-Type Services
- (7) Hunt Group Arrangement for Use with Special
 Access Service Utilized in the Provision of WATSType Services

- 6. <u>Switched Access Service</u> (Cont'd)
 - 6.5 <u>Description and Provision of Feature Group A (FGA)</u> (Cont'd)
 - 6.5.2 Optional Features (Cont'd)
 - (A) Common Switching Options (Cont'd)
 - (8) Uniform Call Distribution Arrangement for Use with Special Access Service Utilized in the Provision of WATS-Type Services
 - (9) Nonhunting Number Associated with a Hunt Group Arrangement or Uniform Call Distribution Arrangement for Use with Special Access Service Utilized in the Provision or WATS-Type Services
 - (B) Transport Termination
 - (1) Two-way operation with dial pulse address signaling and loop start supervisory signaling
 - (2) Two-way operation with dial pulse address signaling and ground start supervisory signaling
 - (3) Two-way operation with dial tone multifrequency address signaling and loop start supervisory signaling
 - (4) Two-way operation with dial tone multifrequency address signaling and ground start supervisory signaling
 - (5) Terminating operation with dial pulse address signaling and loop start supervisory signaling
 - (6) Terminating operation with dial pulse address signaling and ground start supervisory signaling

- 6. <u>Switched Access Service</u> (Cont'd)
 - 6.5 <u>Description and Provision of Feature Group A (FGA)</u> (Cont'd)
 - 6.5.2 Optional Features (Cont'd)
 - (B) <u>Transport Termination</u> (Cont'd)
 - (7) Terminating operation with dual tone multifrequency address signaling and loop start supervisory signaling
 - (8) Terminating operation with dual tone multifrequency address signaling and ground start supervisory signaling
 - (9) Originating operation with loop start supervisory signaling
 - (10) Originating operation with ground start supervisory signaling
 - (C) <u>Local Transport Options</u>
 - (1) Supervisory Signaling (as set forth in 14.1.1(E) following)
 - (2) Customer Specified Entry Switch Receive Level (as set forth in 14.1.1(E) following)
 - 6.5.3 Optional Features Provided In ATU Local Tariff

Certain other features which may be available in connection with Feature Group A (e.g., Speed Calling, Remote Call Forwarding, Bill Number Screening) are provided under the Telephone Company's local and/or general exchange service tariffs.

6. <u>Switched Access Service</u> (Cont'd)

6.5 <u>Description and Provision of Feature Group A (FGA)</u> (Cont'd)

6.5.4 Measuring Access Minutes

Customer Feature Group A traffic to end offices will be measured (i.e., recorded) by the Telephone Company at end office switches. Originating and terminating calls will be measured (i.e., recorded) by the Telephone Company to determine the basis for computing chargeable access minutes. In the event the customer message detail is not available because the Telephone Company lost or damaged tapes or incurred recording system outages, the Telephone Company will estimate the volume of lost customer access minutes of use based on previously known values.

For terminating calls over FGA and for originating calls over FGA (when the off-hook supervisory signal is provided by the customer's equipment before the called party answers), the measured minutes are the chargeable access minutes. For originating calls over FGA (when the off-hook supervisory signal is forwarded by the customer's equipment when the called party answers), chargeable originating access minutes are derived from recorded minutes.

For originating calls over FGA, usage measurement begins when the originating FGA first point of switching receives an off-hook supervisory signal forwarded from the customer's point of termination. This off-hook signal may be provided by the customer's equipment before the called party answers, or forwarded by the customer's equipment when the called party answers.

6. <u>Switched Access Service</u> (Cont'd)

6.5 <u>Description and Provision of Feature Group A (FGA)</u> (Cont'd)

6.5.4 <u>Measuring Access Minutes</u> (Cont'd)

The measurement of originating call usage over FGA ends when the originating FGA first point of switching receives an on-hook supervisory signal from either the originating end user's end office, indicating the originating end user has disconnected, or the customer's point of termination, whichever is recognized first by the first point of switching.

For terminating calls over FGA, usage measurement begins when the terminating FGA first point of switching receives an off-hook supervisory signal from the terminating end user's end office, indicating the terminating end user has answered. The measurement of terminating call usage over FGA ends when the terminating FGA first point of switching receives an on-hook supervisory signal from either the terminating end user's end office, indicating the terminating end user has disconnected, or the customer's point of termination, whichever is recognized first by the first point of switching.

FGA access minutes or fractions thereof, the exact value of the fraction being a function of the switch technology where the measurement is made, are accumulated over the billing period for each line or hunt group, and are then rounded up to the nearest access minute for each line or hunt group.

6.5.5 <u>Testing Capabilities</u>

FGA is provided, in the terminating direction where equipment is available, with seven digit access to balance (100 type) test line and milliwatt (102 type) test line. In addition to the tests described in 6.2.4 preceding which are included with the installation of service (Acceptance Testing) and as ongoing routine testing, Additional Cooperative Acceptance Testing and Additional Manual Testing are available as set forth in 13.3.1 following.

- 6. <u>Switched Access Service</u> (Cont'd)
 - 6.6 <u>Description and Provision of Feature Group B (FGB)</u>

6.6.1 Description

- (A) FGB Access, which is available to all customers, provides trunk side access to Telephone Company end office switches with an associated uniform 950-1XXX or 950-0XXX access code. FGB trunk side access is provided for the customer's use in originating communications from and terminating communications to an Interexchange Carrier's Interstate Service or a customer provided interstate communications capability. The customer must specify the Interexchange Carrier to which the FGB service is connected or, in the alternative, specify the means by which the FGB access communications is transported to another state. Special Access Services utilized for connection with FGB at Telephone Company designated WATS Serving Offices as set forth in Section 7 following may be ordered separately by a customer other than the customer which orders the FGB Switched Access Service for the provision of WATS or WATS-type services. Special Access Services are ordered as set forth in 5.2 preceding.
- (B) FGB, when directly routed to an end office (i.e., provided without the use of an access tandem switch), is provided at appropriately equipped Telephone Company electronic end office switches. When provided via Telephone Company designated electronic access tandem switches, FGB switching is provided at Telephone Company electronic end office switches.

- 6. <u>Switched Access Service</u> (Cont'd)
 - 6.6 <u>Description and Provision of Feature Group B (FGB)</u> (Cont'd)
 - 6.6.1 Description (Cont'd)
 - (C) FGB is provided as trunk side switching through the use of end office or access tandem switch trunk equipment. The switch trunk equipment is provided with wink start-pulsing signals and answer and disconnect supervisory signaling.
 - (D) FGB switching is provided with multifrequency address signaling in both the originating and terminating directions. Except for FGB switching provided with the automatic number identification (ANI) or rotary dial station signaling arrangements as set forth respectively in 6.8.1(F) and 6.8.2 following, any other address signaling in the originating direction, if required by the customer, must be provided by the customer's end user using inband tone signaling techniques. Such inband tone address signals will not be regenerated by the Telephone Company and will be subject to the ordinary transmission capabilities of the Local Transport provided.
 - (E) The access code for FGB switching is a uniform access code. The form of the uniform access code is 950-1XXX or 950-0XXX. A uniform access code(s) will be assigned to the customer for the customer's domestic communications and another will be assigned to the customer for its international communications, if required. These access codes will be the assigned access numbers of all FGB switched access service provided to the customer by the Telephone Company.

- 6. <u>Switched Access Service</u> (Cont'd)
 - 6.6 <u>Description and Provision of Feature Group B (FGB)</u> (Cont'd)
 - 6.6.1 <u>Description</u> (Cont'd)
 - (F) The Telephone Company will establish a trunk group or groups for the customer at end office switches or access tandem switches where FGB switching is ordered. When required by technical limitations, a separate trunk group will be established for each type of FGB switching arrangement provided. Different types of FGB or other switching arrangements may be combined in a single trunk group at the option of the Telephone Company.
 - (G) FGB switching, when used in the terminating direction, may be used to access valid NXXs in the Anchorage Telephone Utility Serving Area, time or weather announcement services of the Telephone Company, community information services of an information service provider and other customers' services (by dialing the appropriate digits). When directly routed to an end office, only those valid NXX codes served by that end office may be accessed. When routed through an access tandem, only those valid NXX codes served by end offices subtending the access tandem will be accessed.

Calls in the terminating direction will not be completed to 950-1XXX or 950-0XXX access codes, local operator assistance (0 - and 0+), Directory Assistance (411 and 555-1212), service codes 611 and 911 or 10XXX access codes. Calls will be completed to Directory Assistance (NPA-555-1212 or 555-1212)

- 6. <u>Switched Access Service</u> (Cont'd)
 - 6.6 <u>Description and Provision of Feature Group B (FGB)</u> (Cont'd)
 - 6.6.1 Description (Cont'd)
 - (G) (Cont'd)
 when FGB switching is combined with Directory
 Assistance (DA) switching. The combination of FGB
 Switched Access Service with DA service is provided as
 set forth in Section 9. following. FGB may not be
 switched, in the terminating direction, to Switched Access
 Service Feature Groups B, and D.
 - (H) When all FGB switching arrangements are discontinued at an end office. This arrangement provides, for a limited period of time, an announcement that the service associated with the number dialed has been disconnected.
 - (I) For FGB switched access service to a Mobile Telephone Switching Office (MTSO) directly interconnected to a Telephone Company access tandem office, the customer will be billed only the Local Transport premium rate element for the FGB usage. The mileage used to determine the monthly rate for the local transport rate element is as set forth in 6.4.6(E) preceding.

6.6.2 Optional Features

Following are descriptions of the various nonchargeable optional features that are available in lieu of, or in addition to, the standard features provided with Feature Group B. They are set forth in (A), (B) and (C) following and are provided as Common Switching, Transport Termination and Local Transport options. Additionally, other optional features provided in local tariffs are set forth in (D) following.

- 6. <u>Switched Access Service</u> (Cont'd)
 - 6.6 <u>Description and Provision of Feature Group B (FGB)</u> (Cont'd)
 - 6.6.2 Optional Features (Cont'd)
 - (A) Common Switching Options

Descriptions of the common switching optional features are set forth in 6.8 following.

- (1) <u>Automatic Number Identification (ANI)</u>
- (2) <u>Up to 7 Digit Outpulsing of Access Digits to Customer</u>
- (3) Band Advance Arrangement for Use with Special Access Service Utilized in the Provision of WATS or WATS-Type Services
- (4) Hunt Group Arrangement for Use with Special Access Service Utilized in the Provision of WATS or WATS-Type Services
- (5) <u>Uniform Call Distribution Arrangement for Use with Special Access Service Utilized in the Provision of WATS or WATS-Type Services</u>
- (6) Nonhunting Number Associated with Hunt Group
 Arrangement or Uniform Call Distribution
 Arrangement for Use with Special Access Service
 Utilized in the Provision of WATS or WATS-Type
 Services

- 6. <u>Switched Access Service</u> (Cont'd)
 - 6.6 <u>Description and Provision of Feature Group B (FGB)</u> (Cont'd)
 - 6.6.2 Optional Features (Cont'd)
 - (B) Transport Terminations Options
 - (1) Rotary Dial Station Signaling
 - (C) Local Transport Options
 - (1) Customer Specification of Local Transport Termination
 - (2) Optional Supervisory Signaling
 - (3) Customer Specified Entry Switch Receive Level

Inasmuch as these options concern transmission levels and signaling they are set forth in 14.1.1 following.

(D) Optional Features Provided In Local Tariffs

Another feature, Bill Number Screening, which may be available in connection with FGB, is provided under the Telephone Company's local and/or general exchange service tariffs.

6.6.3 <u>Design and Traffic Routing</u>

For Feature Group B, the trunk directionality and traffic routing of the Switched Access Service between the customer designated premises and the entry switch are determined by the customer's order for service. Additionally, the customer may order the optional feature Customer Specification of Local Transport Termination as set forth in 14.1.1 following.

6. <u>Switched Access Service</u> (Cont'd)

6.6 <u>Description and Provision of Feature Group B (FGB)</u> (Cont'd)

6.6.4 Measuring Access Minutes

Customer traffic to end offices will be measured (i.e., recorded) by the Telephone Company at end office switches or access tandem switches. Originating and terminating calls will be measured (i.e., recorded) by the Telephone Company to determine the basis for computing chargeable access minutes. In the event the customer message detail is not available because the Telephone Company lost or damaged tapes or incurred recording system outages, the Telephone Company will estimate the volume of lost customer access minutes of use based on previously known values.

For both originating and terminating calls over FGB the measured minutes are the chargeable access minutes.

For originating calls over FGB, usage measurement begins when the originating FGB first point of switching receives answer supervision forwarded from the customer's point of termination, indicating the customer's equipment has answered.

The measurement of originating call usage over FGB ends when the originating FGB first point of switching receives disconnect supervision from either the originating end user's end office, indicating the originating end user has disconnected, or the customer's point of termination, whichever is recognized first by the first point of switching.

6. <u>Switched Access Service</u> (Cont'd)

6.6 <u>Description and Provision of Feature Group B (FGB)</u> (Cont'd)

6.6.4 Measuring Access Minutes (Cont'd)

For terminating calls over FGB, usage measurement begins when the terminating FGB first point of switching receives answer supervision from the terminating end user's end office, indicating the terminating end user has answered.

The measurement of terminating call usage over FGB ends when the terminating FGB first point of switching receives disconnect supervision from either the terminating end user's end office, indicating the terminating end user has disconnected, or the customer's point of termination, whichever is recognized first by the first point of switching.

FGB access minutes or fractions thereof, the exact value of the fraction being a function of the switch technology where the measurement is made, are accumulated over the billing period for each end office, and are then rounded up to the nearest access minute for each end office.

6.6.5 <u>Testing Capabilities</u>

FGB is provided, in the terminating direction where equipment is available, with seven digit access to balance (100 type) test line, milliwatt (102 type) test line, nonsynchronous or synchronous test line, automatic transmission measuring (105 type) test line, data transmission (107 type) test line, loop around test line, short circuit test line and open circuit test line. In addition to the tests described in 6.2.4 preceding which are included with the installation of service (Acceptance Testing) and as ongoing routine testing, Additional Cooperative Acceptance Testing, Additional Automatic Testing, and Additional Manual Testing are available as set forth in 13.3.1 following.

- 6. <u>Switched Access Service</u> (Cont'd)
 - 6.7 <u>Description and Provision of Feature Group D (FGD)</u>

6.7.1 Description

- (A) FGD Access, which is available to all customers, provides trunk side access to Telephone Company end office switches. Special Access Services utilized for connection with FGD at Telephone Company designated WATS Serving offices as set forth in Section 7 following may be ordered separately by a customer other than the customer which orders the FGD Switched Access Service for the provision of WATS or WATS-type services. Special Access Services are ordered as set forth in 5.2 preceding.
- (B) FGD is provided at Telephone Company designated end office switches, whether routed directly or via Telephone Company electronic access tandem switches.
- (C) FGD is provided as trunk side switching through the use of end office or access tandem switch trunk equipment. The switch trunk equipment is provided with wink start-pulsing signals and answer and disconnect supervisory signaling.
- (D) FGD switching is provided with multifrequency address signaling or out of band SS7 signaling. With multifrequency address signaling and SS7 signaling, up to 12 digits of the called party number dialed by the customer's end user using dual tone multifrequency or dial pulse address signals will be provided by Telephone Company equipment to the customer's premises where the Switched Access Service terminates. Such address signals will be subject to the ordinary transmission capabilities of the Local Transport provided.

- 6. <u>Switched Access Service</u> (Cont'd)
 - 6.7 <u>Description and Provision of Feature Group D (FGD)</u> (Cont'd)
 - 6.7.1 <u>Description</u> (Cont'd)
 - (E) FGD switching, when used in the terminating direction, may be used to access valid NXXs in the Anchorage Telephone Utility Serving Area, time or weather announcement services of the Telephone Company, community information services of an information service provider, and other customers' services (by dialing the appropriate codes) when such services can be reached using valid NXX codes. When directly routed to an end office, only those valid NXX codes served by that office may be accessed. When routed through an access tandem, only those valid NXX code served by end offices subtending the access tandem may be accessed.

Calls in the terminating direction will not be completed to 950-1XXX or 950-0XXX access codes, local operator assistance (0 - and 0+), Directory Assistance (411 and 555-1212), service codes 611 and 911 and 10XXX access codes. Calls will be completed to Directory Assistance (NPA-555-1212 or 555-1212) when FGD switching is combined with Directory Assistance switching. The combination of FGD Switched Access Service with DA Service is provided as set forth in Section 9 following. FGD may not be switched, in the terminating direction, to Switched Access Service Feature Groups B, or D.

- 6. <u>Switched Access Service</u> (Cont'd)
 - 6.7 <u>Description and Provision of Feature Group D (FGD)</u> (Cont'd)
 - 6.7.1 <u>Description</u> (Cont'd)
 - (F) The Telephone Company will establish a trunk group or groups for the customer at end office switches or access tandem switches where FGD switching is provided. When required by technical limitations, a separate trunk group will be established for each type of FGD switching arrangement provided. Different types of FGD or other switching arrangements may be combined in a single trunk group at the option of the Telephone Company.
 - (G) The access code for FGD switching is a uniform access code of the form 10XXX. A uniform access code(s) will be the assigned number of all FGD access provided to the customer by the Telephone Company. No access code is required for calls to a customer over FGD Switched Access Service if the end user's telephone exchange service is arranged for presubscription to that customer, as set forth in 13.4 following.

Where no access code is required, the number dialed by the customer's end user shall be a seven or ten digit number for calls in the North American Numbering Plan (NANP). For international calls outside the NANP, a seven to twelve digit number may be dialed. The form of the numbers dialed by the customer's end user is NXX-XXXX, 0 or 1 + NXX-XXXX, NPA + NXX-XXXXX, 0 or 1 + NPA + NXX-XXXX, and, when the end office is equipped for International Direct Distance Dialing (IDDD), 01 + CC + NN or 011 + CC + NN.

- 6. <u>Switched Access Service</u> (Cont'd)
 - 6.7 <u>Description and Provision of Feature Group D (FGD)</u> (Cont'd)
 - 6.7.1 Description (Cont'd)
 - (G) (Cont'd)

When the 10XXX access code is used, FGD switching also provides for dialing the digit 0 for access to the customer's operator, 911 for access to the Telephone Company's emergency reporting service, or the end-of-dialing digit (#) for cut-through access to the customer designated premises.

- (H) For FGD switched access service to a Mobile Telephone Switching Office (MTSO) directly interconnected to a Telephone Company access tandem office, the customer will be billed only the Local Transport premium rate element for the FGD usage. The mileage used to determine the monthly rate for the local transport rate element is as set forth in 6.4.6(E) preceding.
- (I) FGD switching will be arranged to accept calls from telephone exchange service locations without the need for dialing the 10XXX uniform access code. Each telephone exchange service line may be marked with a code to identify which 10XXX code its calls will be directed to for service.
- (J) Unless prohibited by technical limitations, the customer's Interim NXX Translation and/or 800 Data Base traffic may, at the option of the customer, be combined in the same trunk group arrangement with the customer's non-Interim NXX Translation traffic and/or 800 Data Base Traffic. When required by technical limitations, or at the request of the customer, a separate trunk group will be established for Interim NXX Translation traffic and/or 800 Data Base Traffic.

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- 6. <u>Switched Access Service</u> (Cont'd)
 - 6.7 <u>Description and Provision of Feature Group D (FGD)</u> (Cont'd)

6.7.1 Description (Cont'd)

- (K) When a customer has had FGB access in an end office and subsequently replaces the FGB access with FGD access, at the mutual agreement of the customer and the Telephone Company, the Telephone Company will direct calls dialed by the customer's end users using the customer's previous FGB access code to the customer's FGD access service. The customer must be prepared to handle normally dialed FGD calls, as well as calls dialed with the FGB access code which requires the customer to receive additional address signaling from the end user. Such calls will be rated as FGD. The Telephone Company may, with 90 days' written notice to the customer, discontinue this arrangement.
- (L) For FGD switched access service to a Mobile Telephone Switching Office (MTSO) directly interconnected to a Telephone Company access tandem office, the customer will be billed only the Local Transport premium rate element for the FGD usage. The mileage used to determine the monthly rate for the local transport rate element is as set forth in 6.4.6(E) preceding.

6.7.2 Optional Features

Following are the various nonchargeable and chargeable optional features that are available in lieu of, or in addition to, the standard features provided with Feature Group D. Nonchargeable Optional Features are provided as Common Switching, Transport Termination and Local Transport options as set forth in (A) through (B) following. Chargeable optional features are set forth in (C) following.

- 6. <u>Switched Access Service</u> (Cont'd)
 - 6.7 <u>Description and Provision of Feature Group D (FGD)</u> (Cont'd)
 - 6.7.2 Optional Features (Cont'd)
 - (A) Common Switching Options

Descriptions of the common switching optional features are set forth in 6.8 following.

- (1) <u>Automatic Number Identification (ANI)</u>
- (2) Service Class Routing
- (3) Alternate Traffic Routing
- (4) Trunk Access Limitation
- (5) <u>Call Gapping Arrangement</u>
- (6) <u>International Carrier Option</u>
- (7) Band Advance Arrangement for Use with Special Access Service Utilized in the Provision of WATS or WATS-Type Services
- (8) End Office End User Line Service Screening for
 Use with Special Access Service Utilized in the
 Provision of WATS or WATS-Type Services
- (9) Hunt Group Arrangement for Use with Special Access Service Utilized in the Provision of WATS or WATS-Type Services
- (10) <u>Uniform Call Distribution Arrangement for Use with Special Access Service Utilized in the Provision of WATS or WATS-Type Services</u>

- 6. <u>Switched Access Service</u> (Cont'd)
 - 6.7 <u>Description and Provision of Feature Group D (FGD)</u> (Cont'd)
 - 6.7.2 Optional Features (Cont'd)
 - (A) Common Switching Options (Cont'd)
 - (11) Nonhunting Number Associated with Hunt Group
 Arrangement or Uniform Call Distribution
 Arrangement for Use with Special Access Service
 Utilized in the Provision of WATS or WATS-Type
 Services
 - (12) <u>Digital Switched 56 Service</u>
 - (13) Flexible Automatic Number Identification (Flex ANI) (N)*
 - (B) <u>Local Transport Options</u>
 - (1) Supervisory Signaling

The Supervisory Signaling optional feature due to its technical nature, is set forth in 14.1.1 following.

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- 6. <u>Switched Access Service</u> (Cont'd)
 - 6.7 <u>Description and Provision of Feature Group D (FGD)</u> (Cont'd)
 - 6.7.2 Optional Features (Cont'd)
 - (B) <u>Local Transport Options</u> (Cont'd)
 - (2) Signaling System 7 (SS7)

The SS7 optional feature allows the customer to send and receive signals for out of band call set up and is available with Feature Group D. This option requires the establishment of a signaling connection between the customer's designated premises/ Signaling Point Interface and a Telephone Company's Signaling Transfer Point (STP).

SS7 is provided in both the originating and terminating direction on FGD and each signaling connection is provisioned for two way SS7 signaling information.

- (3) <u>Multifrequency Address Signaling</u>
- (4) Calling Party Number (CPN) Parameter
- (5) Charge Number Parameter (CNP)
- (6) <u>Carrier Selection Parameter (CSP)</u>
- (C) Chargeable Optional Features
 - (1) Interim 900 NXX Translation

The Interim 900 NXX Translation Optional Feature is set forth in 6.8.2 following.

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- 6. <u>Switched Access Service</u> (Cont'd)
 - 6.7 <u>Description and Provision of Feature Group D (FGD)</u> (Cont'd)
 - 6.7.2 Optional Features (Cont'd)
 - (C) Chargeable Optional Features (Cont'd)
 - (2) <u>Common Channel Signaling/Signaling System 7</u> (CBS/SS7) Network Connection Service (CCSNC)

The CCSNC Optional Feature is provided as set forth in 6.8.3 following.

6.7.3 Design and Traffic Routing

For Feature Group D, the Telephone Company shall design and determine the routing of Tandem Switched Access Transport Service, including the selection of the first point of switching and the selection of facilities from the interface to any switching point and to the end offices. The Telephone Company shall also decide if capacity is to be provided by originating only, terminating only, or two-way trunk groups. Finally, the Telephone Company will decide whether trunk side access will be provided through the use of two-wire or four-wire trunk terminating equipment.

For Feature Group D Direct Trunked Transport service, the Telephone Company will determine the routing of switched access service from the point of interface to the first point of switching or, if the customer specifies one or more hub locations for multiplexing, from the point of interface to the hub location, from one hub location to another hub location, and/or from a hub location to the first point of switching.

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- 6. <u>Switched Access Service</u> (Cont'd)
 - 6.7 <u>Description and Provision of Feature Group D (FGD)</u> (Cont'd)
 - 6.7.3 <u>Design and Traffic Routing</u> (Cont'd)

Selection of facilities and equipment and traffic routing of the service are based on standard engineering methods, available facilities and equipment, and actual traffic patterns. (S)*



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- 6. <u>Switched Access Service</u> (Cont'd)
 - 6.7 <u>Description and Provision of Feature Group D (FGD)</u> (Cont'd)

6.7.4 Measuring Access Minutes

Customer traffic to end offices will be recorded at end office switches or access tandem switches. Originating and terminating calls will be measured or derived to determine the basis for computing chargeable access minutes. In the event the customer message detail is not available because the Telephone Company lost or damaged tapes or incurred recording system outages, the Telephone Company will estimate the volume of lost customer access minutes of use based on previously known values.

Originating Usage

For originating calls over FGD the measured minutes are the chargeable access minutes.

For originating calls over FGD, provided with Multi-Frequency Signaling, usage measurement begins when the originating FGD first point of switching receives the first wink supervisory signal forwarded from the customer's point of termination.

For originating calls over FGD provided with Signaling System 7 (SS7) Signaling when the FGD end office is not routed through an access tandem for connection to the customer, usage measurement begins when the SS7 Initial Address Message is sent from the Service Switching Point (SSP) to the Signal Transfer Point (STP).

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- 6. <u>Switched Access Service</u> (Cont'd)
 - 6.7 <u>Description and Provision of Feature Group D (FGD)</u> (Cont'd)
 - 6.7.4 <u>Measuring Access Minutes</u> (Cont'd)

Originating Usage (Cont'd)

For originating calls over FGD provided with Signaling System 7 (SS7) signaling when the FGD end office is routed through a tandem for connection to the customer, usage measurement begins when the FGD end office receives the SS7 Exit Message from the tandem.

The measurement of originating call usage over FGD provided with Multi-Frequency Signaling ends when the originating FGD first point of switching receives disconnect supervision from either the originating end user's end office, indicating the originating end user has disconnected, or the customer's point of termination, whichever is recognized first by the first point of switching.

The measurement of originating call usage over FGD provided with SS7 Signaling ends when the originating FGD end office receives an SS7 Release Message indicating either the originating or terminating end user has disconnected.

Terminating Usage

For terminating calls over FGD the chargeable access minutes are either measured or derived.

6. <u>Switched Access Service</u> (Cont'd)

6.7 <u>Description and Provision of Feature Group D (FGD)</u> (Cont'd)

6.7.4 <u>Measuring Access Minutes</u> (Cont'd)

Terminating Usage (Cont'd)

For terminating calls over FGD provided with Mutli-Frequency Signaling, where measurement capability exists, the measurement of chargeable access minutes begins when the terminating FGD first point of switching receives answer supervision from the terminating end user's end office, indicating the terminating end user has answered. This measurement ends when the terminating FGD first point of switching receives disconnect supervision from either the terminating end user's end office, indicating the terminating end user has disconnected, or the customer's point of termination, whichever is recognized first by the first point of switching.

For terminating calls over FGD with SS7 signaling, usage measurement begins when the terminating recording switch receives answer supervision from the terminating user. The Telephone Company switch receives answer supervision and sends the indication to the customer in the form of an answer message. The measurement of terminating FGD call usage ends when the entry switch receives or sends a release message, whichever occurs first.

6.7.5 Design Blocking Probability

The Telephone Company will design the facilities used in the provision of Switched Access Service FGD to meet the blocking probability criteria as set forth in (A) and (B) following.

- 6. <u>Switched Access Service</u> (Cont'd)
 - 6.7 <u>Description and Provision of Feature Group D (FGD)</u> (Cont'd)
 - 6.7.5 <u>Design Blocking Probability</u> (Cont'd)
 - (A) For Feature Group D, the design blocking objective will be no greater than one percent (.01) between the point of termination at the customer's designated premises and the end office switch, whether the traffic is directly routed without an alternate route or routed via an access tandem. Standard traffic engineering methods as set forth in reference document Telecommunications Transmission Engineering Volume 3 Networks and Services (Chapters 6-7) will be used by the Telephone Company to determine the number of transmission paths required to achieve this level of blocking.
 - (B) The Telephone Company will perform routine measurement functions to assure that an adequate number of transmission paths are in service. The Telephone Company will recommend that additional capacity (i.e., busy hour minutes of capacity or trunks) be ordered by the customer when additional paths are required to reduce the measured blocking to the designed blocking level. For the capacity ordered, the design blocking objective is assumed to have been met if the routine measurements show that the measured blocking does not exceed the threshold listed in the following tables.

- 6. <u>Switched Access Service</u> (Cont'd)
 - 6.7 <u>Description and Provision of Feature Group D (FGD)</u> (Cont'd)
 - 6.7.5 <u>Design Blocking Probability</u> (Cont'd)
 - (1) For transmission paths carrying only first routed traffic direct between an end office and customer's designated premises without an alternate route, and for paths carrying only overflow traffic, the measured blocking thresholds are as follows:

Number of Transmission Paths Per Trunk Group

7 or more

Measured Blocking Thresholds in the Time Consistent Busy Hour for the Number of Measurements Taken Between 8:00 a.m. and 11:00 p.m.

Per Trunk Group			
15-20	11-14	7-10	3-6
Measurements Measurements Measurements			
7%	8.0%	9%	14.0%
5%	6.0%	7%	9.0%
5%	6.0%	7%	8.0%
4%	5.0%	6%	7.0%
3%	3.5%	4%	6.0%

(2) For transmission paths carrying first routed traffic between an end office and customer's premises via an access tandem, the measured blocking thresholds are as follows:

Measured Blocking Thresholds

- 6. <u>Switched Access Service</u> (Cont'd)
 - 6.7 <u>Description and Provision of Feature Group D (FGD)</u> (Cont'd)
 - 6.7.5 <u>Design Blocking Probability</u> (Cont'd)

	Wiedered Blocking Throched					
	in the Time Consistent Busy Hour					
Number of	for the Number of Measurements					
Transmission Paths	Taken Between 8:00 a.m. and 11:00 p.m.					
	raken between 6.00 a.m. and 11.00 p.m.					
Per Trunk Group		Per Trunk Group				
•	15-20	11-14	7-10	3-6		
	Measurements	Measurements	Measurements	Measurem	ents	
0	4.50/	F F0/	0.00/	0.50/		
2	4.5%	5.5%	6.0%	9.5%		
3	3.5%	4.0%	4.5%	6.0%		
4	3.5%	4.0%	4.5%	5.5%		
5-6	2.5%	3.5%	4.0%	4.5%		
7 or more	2.0%	2.5%	3.0%	4.0%		

6.7.6 Network Blocking Charge

The customer will be notified by the Telephone Company to increase its capacity quantities of trunks when excessive trunk group blocking occurs on groups carrying Feature Group D traffic and the measured access minutes for that hour exceed the capacity purchased. Excessive trunk group blocking occurs when the blocking thresholds stated below are exceeded. They are predicated on time consistent, hourly measurements over a 30-day period excluding Saturdays,

6. <u>Switched Access Service</u> (Cont'd)

6.7 <u>Description and Provision of Feature Group D (FGD)</u> (Cont'd)

6.7.6 Network Blocking Charge (Cont'd)

Sundays and national holidays. If the order for additional capacity has not been received by the Telephone Company within 15 days of the notification, the Telephone Company will bill the customer, at the rate set forth in 16.2.2 following, for each overflow in excess of the blocking threshold when (1) the average "30 day period" overflow exceeds the threshold level for any particular hour and (2) the "30 day period" measured average originating or two-way usage for the same clock hour exceeds the capacity purchased.

Blocking Thresholds

Trunks in Service	<u>1%</u>	<u>1.2%</u>
1-2	7.0%	4.5%
3-4	5.0%	3.5%
5-6	4.0%	2.5%
7 or greater	3.0%	2.0%

The 1% blocking threshold is for transmission paths carrying traffic direct (without an alternate route) between an end office and a customer's premises. The 1/2% blocking threshold is for transmission paths carrying first routed traffic between an end office and a customer's premises via an access tandem.

6. <u>Switched Access Service</u> (Cont'd)

6.7 <u>Description and Provision of Feature Group D (FGD)</u> (Cont'd)

6.7.7 Testing Capabilities

FGD is provided, in the terminating direction where equipment is available, with seven digit access to balance (100 type) test line, milliwatt (102 type) test line, nonsynchronous or synchronous test line, automatic transmission measuring (105 type) test line, data transmission (107 type) test line, loop around test line, short circuit test line and open circuit test line. In addition to the tests described in 6.2.4 preceding, which are included with the installation of service (Acceptance Testing) and as ongoing routine testing, Additional Cooperative Acceptance Testing, Additional Automatic Testing and Additional Manual Testing, are available as set forth in 13.3.1 following.

When SS7 Signaling is ordered, network compatibility and other testing will be performed cooperatively by the Telephone Company and the customer as specified in Technical Reference TR-TSV 000905.

6.8 <u>Chargeable and Nonchargeable Optional Features</u>

Following are descriptions of the various optional features that are available in lieu of, or in the addition to, the standard features provided with the Feature Groups. They are provided as Common Switching, Transport Termination, or Interim 900 NXX Translation options.

- 6. <u>Switched Access Service</u> (Cont'd)
 - 6.8 <u>Chargeable and Nonchargeable Optional Features</u> (Cont'd)
 - 6.8.1 <u>Common Switching Nonchargeable Optional Features</u>

The following table shows the Feature Groups with which the optional features are available.

		Available Feature Groups		
	<u>Option</u>	<u>A</u>	В	D
A)	Call Denial on Line or Hunt Group	Х		
B)	Service Code Denial on Line or Hunt Group	X		
•	•	X		
C)	Hunt Group Arrangement			
D)	Uniform Call Distribution Arrangement	Χ		
E)	Nonhunting Number for Use with Hunt Group			
_`	or Uniform Call Distribution Arrangement	Х		
F)	Automatic Number Identification (ANI)		Χ	X
G)	Up to 7 Digit Outpulsing of Access Digits to			
	Customer		Χ	
H)	Service Class Routing			Χ
I)	Alternate Traffic Routing			Χ
J)	Trunk Access Limitation			Χ
K)	Call Gapping Arrangement			Χ
L)	International Carrier Option			Χ
M)	Band Advance Arrangement for Use with Special Access Service Utilized in the Provision of			
	WATS or WATS-Type Services	X	Χ	Χ
N)	End Office End User Line Service Screening for Use with Special Access Service Utilized in			
	the Provision of WATS or WATS-Type Services			Χ
O)	Hunt Group Arrangement for Use with Special Access Service Utilized in the Provision of			
	WATS or WATS-Type Services	Χ	Χ	Χ
	••			

6. <u>Switched Access Service</u> (Cont'd)

6.8 <u>Chargeable and Nonchargeable Optional Features</u> (Cont'd)

6.8.1 <u>Common Switching Nonchargeable Optional Features</u> (Cont'd)

		Available Feature Groups			
	<u>Option</u>	<u>A</u>	В	<u>D</u>	
P)	Uniform Call Distribution Arrangement for Use with Special Access Service Utilized in the Provision of WATS or WATS-Type Services	X	X	X	
Q)	Nonhunting Number Associated with Hunt Group Arrangement or Uniform Call Distribution Arrangement for Use with Special Access Service Utilized in the Provision of WATS				
	or WATS-Type Services	Χ	X	X	
R)	Digital Switched 56 Service			X	
S)	Multifrequency Address Signaling			Χ	
T)	Signaling System 7 (SS7) Signaling			X	
Ú)	Calling Party Number (CPN)				
V)	Carrier Selection Parameter (CSP)			Χ	
Ŵ)	Charge Number Parameter (CNP)			X	
X)	Flexible Automatic Number Identification (Flex ANI)			Χ	(N) [*]

(A) <u>Call Denial on Line or Hunt Group</u>

This option allows for the screening of terminating Feature Group A calls. There are two screening arrangements available with this option as follows: 1) limiting terminating calls for completion to only 411 or 555-1212 whichever is available, 611, 911, 800 series and a Telephone Company specified set of NXXs within the Telephone Company local exchange calling area of the dial tone office in which the arrangement is provided or, 2) limiting terminating calls to completion to only the NXXs associated with all end offices in the

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- 6. <u>Switched Access Service</u> (Cont'd)
 - 6.8 <u>Chargeable and Nonchargeable Optional Features</u> (Cont'd)
 - 6.8.1 <u>Common Switching Nonchargeable Optional Features</u> (Cont'd)
 - (A) <u>Call Denial on Line or Hunt Group</u> (Cont'd)

Anchorage Telephone Utility's Serving Area i.e., the call cannot be further switched or routed out of Anchorage Telephone Utility's Serving Area nor will calls be completed to 411 or 555-1212 whichever is available, 611, 911 or 800 series. All other calls are routed to a reorder tone or recorded announcement. Arrangement 1 is provided in all Telephone Company electronic end offices. Arrangement 2 is provided where available. This feature is available with Feature Group A.

(B) Service Code Denial on Line or Hunt Group

This option allows for the screening of terminating calls, and for disallowing completion of calls to 0-, 555 and N11 (e.g., 411, 611, and 911). This feature is provided where available in all Telephone Company end offices. It is available with Feature Group A.

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- 6. <u>Switched Access Service</u> (Cont'd)
 - 6.8 <u>Chargeable and Nonchargeable Optional Features</u> (Cont'd)
 - 6.8.1 <u>Common Switching Nonchargeable Optional Features</u> (Cont'd)
 - (C) <u>Hunt Group Arrangement</u>

This option provides the ability to sequentially access one of two or more line side connections in the originating direction, when the access code of the line group is dialed. This feature is provided in all Telephone Company end offices. It is available with Feature Group A. All Feature Group A access services in the same hunt group must provide off-hook supervisory signaling from the same point in time in the call sequence i.e., all off-hook supervisory signals must either be provided by the customer's equipment before the called party answers or all must be forwarded by the customer's equipment when the called party answers.

(D) <u>Uniform Call Distribution Arrangement</u>

This option provides a type of multiline hunting arrangement which provides for an even distribution of calls among the available lines in a hunt group. Where available, this feature is provided in Telephone Company electronic end offices only. It is available with Feature Group A.

- 6. <u>Switched Access Service</u> (Cont'd)
 - 6.8 <u>Chargeable and Nonchargeable Optional Features</u> (Cont'd)
 - 6.8.1 <u>Common Switching Nonchargeable Optional Features</u> (Cont'd)
 - (E) Nonhunting Number for Use with Hunt Group or Uniform Call Distribution Arrangement

This option provides access to an individual line within a multiline hunt or uniform call distribution group. When the nonhunting number is dialed, access is provided when it is idle, or busy tone is provided when it is busy. Where available, this feature is provided in Telephone Company electronic end offices only. It is available with Feature Group A.

- (F) <u>Automatic Number Identification (ANI)</u>
 - (1) This option provides the automatic transmission of a seven digit or ten digit number and information digits to the customer designated premises for originating calls to identify the calling station. The ANI feature is an end office software function which is associated on a call-by-call basis with:
 - (a) all individual transmission paths in a trunk group routed directly between an end office and a customer designated premises
 - (b) all individual transmission paths in a trunk group between an end office and an access tandem, and a trunk group between an access tandem and a customer designated premises.

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- 6. <u>Switched Access Service</u> (Cont'd)
 - 6.8 <u>Chargeable and Nonchargeable Optional Features</u> (Cont'd)
 - 6.8.1 <u>Common Switching Nonchargeable Optional Features</u> (Cont'd)
 - (F) <u>Automatic Number Identification (ANI)</u> (Cont'd)
 - (2) The seven-digit ANI telephone number is available with Feature Group B. ANI will be transmitted on all calls except those originating from multiparty lines, pay telephones using Feature Group B, or when an ANI failure has occurred. Seven-digit ANI is not available with SS7 Signaling.
 - (3) The ten-digit ANI telephone number is only available with Feature Group D. The ten-digit ANI telephone number consists of the Number Plan Area (NPA) plus the seven digit ANI telephone number. The ten-digit ANI telephone number will be transmitted on all calls except in case of ANI failure, in which case only the NPA will be transmitted (in addition to the information digit described following. Ten-digit ANI is provided with multifrequency address signaling or SS7 signaling.
 - (4) Additional ANI information digits are available with Feature Group D also. They include:
 - (a) Anchorage Telephone Utility serving area restricted telephone number is identified line
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- 6. Switched Access Service (Cont'd)
 - 6.8 Chargeable and Nonchargeable Optional Features (Cont'd)
 - 6.8.1 Common Switching Nonchargeable Optional Features (Cont'd)
 - Automatic Number Identification (ANI) (Cont'd) (F)
 - (b) Anchorage Telephone Utility serving area restricted - hotel/motel line
 - Anchorage Telephone Utility serving area (c) restricted - coinless, hospital, inmate, etc., line

These information digits will be transmitted as agreed to by the customer and the Telephone Company.

Flexible Automatic Number Identification (Flex ANI) is an enhancement to ANI and is offered as a Common Switching Nonchargeable Optional Feature of Feature Group D as described in Section 6.8.1.X following.

(G) Up to 7 Digit Outpulsing of Access Digits to Customer

This option provides for the end office capability of providing up to 7 digits of the uniform access code (950-1/0XXX) to the customer designated premises.

The customer can request that only some of the digits in the access code be forwarded. The access code digits would be provided to the customer designated premises using multifrequency signaling, and transmission of the digits would precede the forwarding of ANI if that feature were provided. This feature is available with Feature Group B.

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- 6. <u>Switched Access Service</u> (Cont'd)
 - 6.8 <u>Chargeable and Nonchargeable Optional Features</u> (Cont'd)
 - 6.8.1 Common Switching Nonchargeable Optional Features (Cont'd)
 - (H) Service Class Routing

This option provides the capability of directing originating traffic from an end office to a trunk group to a customer designated premises, based on the line class of service (e.g., coin, multiparty or hotel/motel), service prefix indicator (e.g., 0-, 0+, 01+ or 011+) or Service Access Code (e.g., 900). It is provided in suitably equipped end office or access tandem switches. It is available with Feature Group D.

(I) Alternate Traffic Routing

When the customer orders both Direct Trunked Transport and Tandem Switched Transport at the same end office, this option provides the capability of directing originating traffic from an end office or appropriately equipped access tandem to a trunk group (the "high usage" group) to a customer designated premises until that group is fully loaded, and then delivering additional originating traffic (the "overflowing" traffic) from the same end office or access tandem to a different trunk group (the "final" group) to a second customer designated premises. The customer shall specify the last trunk CBS desired for the high usage group. It is provided in suitably equipped end office or access tandem switch. It is available with Feature Groups B and D.

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6. <u>Switched Access Service</u> (Cont'd)

6.8 <u>Chargeable and Nonchargeable Optional Features</u> (Cont'd)

6.8.1 <u>Common Switching Nonchargeable Optional Features</u> (Cont'd)

(J) Trunk Access Limitation

This option provides for the routing of originating 900 service calls to a specified number of transmission paths in a trunk group, in order to limit (choke) the completion of such traffic to the customer. Calls to the designated service which could not be completed over the subset of transmission paths in the trunk group, i.e., the choked calls, would be routed to reorder tone. It is provided in all Telephone Company electronic end offices. It is available with Feature Group D.

(K) <u>Call Gapping Arrangement</u>

This option, provided in suitably equipped end office switches, provides for the routing of originating calls to 900 service to be switched in the end office to all transmission paths in a trunk group at a prescribed rate of flow, e.g., one call every five seconds, in order to limit (choke) the completion of such traffic to the customer. Calls to the designated service which are denied access by this feature, i.e., the choked calls, would be routed to a nocircuit announcement. It is provided in selected Feature Group D equipped end offices and is available only with Feature Group D.

- 6. <u>Switched Access Service</u> (Cont'd)
 - 6.8 <u>Chargeable and Nonchargeable Optional Features</u> (Cont'd)
 - 6.8.1 <u>Common Switching Nonchargeable Optional Features</u> (Cont'd)
 - (L) <u>International Carrier Option</u>

This option allows for Feature Group D end offices or access tandem switches equipped for International Direct Distance Dialing to be arranged to forward the international calls of one or more international carriers to the customer (i.e., the Telephone Company is able to route originating international calls to a customer other than the one designated by the end user either through presubscription or 10XXX dialing). This arrangement requires provision of written verification to the Telephone Company that the customer is authorized to forward such calls. The written verification must be in the form of a letter of agency authorizing the customer to order the option on behalf of the international carrier. This option is only provided at Telephone Company end offices or access tandems equipped for International Direct Distance Dialing and is available only with Feature Group D.

(M) Band Advance Arrangement for Use with Special Access
Service Utilized in the Provision of WATS or WATS-Type
Services

This option, which is provided in association with two or more Special Access Service groups, provides for the automatic overflow of terminating calls to a second Special Access Service group, when the first group has exceeded its call capacity. This option is available with Feature Groups A, B, and D.

- 6. <u>Switched Access Service</u> (Cont'd)
 - 6.8 <u>Chargeable and Nonchargeable Optional Features</u> (Cont'd)
 - 6.8.1 <u>Common Switching Nonchargeable Optional Features</u> (Cont'd)
 - (N) End Office End User Line Service Screening for Use with Special Access Service Utilized in the Provision of WATS or WATS-Type Services

This option provides the ability to verify that an end user has dialed a called party address (by screening the called NPA and/or NXX on the basis of geographical bands selected by the Telephone Company) which is in accordance with that end user's service agreement with the customer, e.g., WATS. This option is provided in all Telephone Company electronic end offices which are designated as WATS Serving Offices. It is available with Feature Group D.

(O) Hunt Group Arrangement for Use with Special Access
Service Utilized in the Provision of WATS or WATS-Type
Services

This option provides the ability to sequentially access one of two or more Special Access Services utilized in the provision of WATS services (e.g., 800 Series Service Special Access services) in the terminating direction, when the hunting number of the Special Access Service group is forwarded from the customer to the Telephone Company. This feature is provided in all Telephone Company designated WATS Serving Offices. It is available with Feature Groups A, B, and D.

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- 6. <u>Switched Access Service</u> (Cont'd)
 - 6.8 <u>Chargeable and Nonchargeable Optional Features</u> (Cont'd)
 - 6.8.1 <u>Common Switching Nonchargeable Optional Features</u> (Cont'd)
 - (P) <u>Uniform Call Distribution Arrangement for Use with Special Access Service Utilized in the Provision of WATS or WATS-Type Services</u>

This option provides a type of multiline hunting arrangement which provides for an even distribution of terminating calls among the available Special Access Services utilized in the provision of WATS or WATS-type Services in the hunt group. Where available, this feature is only provided in Telephone Company designated WATS Serving Offices. It is available with Feature Groups A, B, and D.

(Q) Nonhunting Number Associated with Hunt Group
Arrangement or Uniform Call Distribution Arrangement for
Use with Special Access Service Utilized in the Provision
of WATS or WATS-Type Services

This option provides an arrangement, for an individual Special Access Service utilized in the provision of WATS or WATS-type Services within a multiline hunt or uniform call distribution group, that provides access to that Special Access Service within the hunt or uniform call distribution group when it is idle or provides busy tone when it is busy, when the nonhunting number is dialed, without hunting to the next idle number. Where available, this feature is only provided in Telephone Company designated WATS Serving Offices. It is available with Feature Groups A, B, and D.

- 6. <u>Switched Access Service</u> (Cont'd)
 - 6.8 <u>Chargeable and Nonchargeable Optional Features</u> (Cont'd)
 - 6.8.1 <u>Common Switching Nonchargeable Optional Features</u> (Cont'd)

(R) <u>Digital Switched 56 Service</u>

This option provides for a connection between a customer's premise and a suitably equipped end user's premise which uses end office switching and facilities capable of transmitting digital data up to 56 Kilobits per second. Digital Switched 56 Service is only available in appropriately provisioned Feature Group D office as set forth in NATIONAL EXCHANGE CARRIER ASSOCIATION, INC. TARIFF F.C.C. NO. 4.

(S) <u>Multifrequency Address Signaling</u>

Multifrequency Address Signaling is available as an optional feature with FGD. This feature provides for the transmission of number information and control signals (e.g., number address signals, automatic number identification) between the end office switch and the customer's premises (in either direction). Multifrequency signaling arrangements make use of pairs of frequencies out of a group of six frequencies. Specific information transmitted is dependent upon feature group and call type (i.e., POTS, coin or operator). This feature is not available in combination with SS7 signaling.

- 6. <u>Switched Access Service</u> (Cont'd)
 - 6.8 <u>Chargeable and Nonchargeable Optional Features</u> (Cont'd)
 - 6.8.1 <u>Common Switching Nonchargeable Optional Features</u> (Cont'd)

(T) Signaling System 7 (SS7) Signaling

This feature provides common channel out of band transmission of address and supervisory SS7 protocol signaling information between the end office switch or the tandem office switching system and the customer's designated premises. The signaling information is transmitted over facilities provided with the Common Channel Signaling/Signaling System 7 Interconnection Service as specified in 6.1.3(A)(3) preceding. This feature is available with FGD and will be provided in accordance with the SS7 Interconnect specifications described in Technical Reference TR-TSV-000905.

(U) Calling Party Number (CPN)

This feature provides for the automatic transmission of the ten digit directly number, associated with a calling station, to the customer's premises for calls originating in the Anchorage Telephone Utility Serving Area. The ten digit telephone number will be coded as presented, or restricted via a "privacy indicator" for delivery to the called end user. This feature is provided with originating FGD with SS7 signaling. CPN is available where technically feasible.

6. <u>Switched Access Service</u> (Cont'd)

6.8 <u>Chargeable and Nonchargeable Optional Features</u> (Cont'd)

6.8.1 <u>Common Switching Nonchargeable Optional Features</u> (Cont'd)

(V) <u>Carrier Selection Parameter (CSP)</u>

This feature provides for the automatic transmission of a signaling indicator which signifies to the customer whether or not the call being processed originated from a presubscribed line. If the line was presubscribed, the indicator will signify if the end user did or did not dial 10XXX. This feature is provided with originating FGD with SS7 signaling.

(W) Charge Number Parameter (CN)

The CN Parameter is equivalent to the existing ten digit Automatic Number Identification (ANI) available with FGD with MF signaling. The CN Parameter provides for the automatic transmission of the ten digit billing number of the calling station and the originating line information. This feature is provided with originating FGD with SS7 signaling.

(X) Flexible Automatic Number Identification (Flex ANI)

Flex ANI is a Common Switching Optional Feature that enhances the existing Automatic Number Identification (ANI) optional feature (6.8.1 (F)) by allowing Feature Group D (FGD) customers to receive additional information digits. Flex ANI provides information digits used to identify additional call types, e.g., 27 for pay telephones requiring central office coin supervision capability, 29 for prison/inmate pay telephones, and 70 for pay telephones not requiring central office coin supervision.

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- 6. <u>Switched Access Service</u> (Cont'd)
 - 6.8 <u>Chargeable and Nonchargeable Optional Features</u> (Cont'd)
 - 6.8.1 <u>Common Switching Nonchargeable Optional Features</u> (Cont'd)
 - (X) Flexible Automatic Number Identification (Flex ANI) (Cont'd)

Flex ANI can also be used to provide Originating Line Screening (OLS) service (6.8.5).

Flex ANI information digits are two digits in length and are activated through switched software program updates. These codes precede the 10-digit directory number of the calling line and are part of the signaling protocol in equal access end offices. The information digits are outpulsed by the switching system along with the directory number from the originating end office and are sent to the receiving office for billing, routing, or special handling purposes.

Customers who have ANI but do not order Flex ANI will continue to receive the information digits associated with ANI. Flex ANI digits are assigned by the North American Numbering Plan Administrator. The Telephone Company will make available those information digits that are mutually agreed to by the customer and telephone company.

Flex ANI is available to customers with FGD Switched Access Service equipped with ANI. Flex ANI is available in suitable equipped end offices as identified in NATIONAL EXCHANGE CARRIER ASSOCIATION, INC. TARIFF F.C.C. NO. 4.

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- 6. <u>Switched Access Service</u> (Cont'd)
 - 6.8 Chargeable and Nonchargeable Optional Features (Cont'd)
 - 6.8.1 <u>Common Switching Nonchargeable Optional Features</u> (Cont'd)
 - (X) Flexible Automatic Number Identification (Flex ANI) (Cont'd)

Payphone Service Providers (PSPs) will be assessed a one-time nonrecurring charge to recover the cost incurred by the Telephone Company to install the Flex ANI feature to transmit payphone specific coding digits. This nonrecurring charge, as set forth in 16.2.3 (C) following, is assessed on a per PSP line basis. The Telephone Company will bill the nonrecurring charge in advance under the provisions set forth in 2.4.1(B)(1) preceding.

6.8.2 <u>Chargeable Optional Features</u>

Interim 900 NXX Translation

This service is an originating offering utilizing trunk side Switched Access Service and provides a customer identification function based on the dialed SAC and NXX code.

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- 6. <u>Switched Access Service</u> (Cont'd)
 - 6.8 <u>Chargeable and Nonchargeable Optional Features</u> (Cont'd)
 - 6.8.2 <u>Chargeable Optional Features</u> (Cont'd)

Interim 900 NXX Translation (Cont'd)

For example, when a 1+900+NXX-XXXX call is originated by an end user, the Telephone Company will perform the customer identification function based on the dialed digits to determine the customer location to which the call is to be routed. Once customer identification has been established, the call will be routed to that customer. Calls originating from an end office switch at which the customer identification function is performed, but to which the customer has not ordered Interim 900 NXX Translation, will be blocked. Calls to a 900 number from coin telephones, 0+, 0-, 10XXX, Inmate Service, Hotel/Motel Service and calling card calls will be blocked.

The charge for Interim 900 NXX Translation is as set forth in 16.2.1(C) following.

6.8.3 <u>Common Channel Signaling/Signaling System 7 Network</u>
<u>Connection Service (CCSNC)</u>

Common Channel Signaling/Signaling System 7 (CBS/SS7)
Network Connection Service (CCSNC), which is available with
Feature Group D, where technically feasible as designated in
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FCC NO. 4, WIRE CENTER INFORMATION, provides a signaling
path between a customer's designated Signaling Point of
Interface (SPOI) and a Signaling Transfer Point (STP). This
service provides customers with the use of a two-way signaling
path for accessing information necessary for the completion of
their end user's calls.

- 6. Switched Access Service (Cont'd)
 - 6.8 Chargeable and Nonchargeable Optional Features (Cont'd)
 - 6.8.3 <u>Common Channel Signaling/Signaling System 7 Network Connection</u> <u>Service (CCSNC)</u> (Cont'd)

CBS/SS7 Network Connection Service is comprised of two rate elements; a Signaling Network Access Link (SNAL) and a Signaling Transfer Point (STP) Port. The SNAL is provided as a dedicated 56 Kbps out-of-band signaling connection between the customer's SPOI and the STP port on the STP.

The CBS/SS7 Network Connection Service is provisioned by a mated pair of STPs as described in Technical Reference TR-TSV 000905 in order to ensure network availability and reliability. The Telephone Company shall not be held liable for service outages if the customer employs technology related to the interconnection of signaling networks that does not adhere to generally accepted industry technical standards.

When CBS/SS7 Network Connection service is provisioned for use with SS7 Signaling, interconnection between signaling networks must occur at an STP.

Rates and charges for the CBS/SS7 Network Connection STP Ports and Signaling Network Access Links are contained in 16.2.2 following.

6.8.3.1 CCSNC Service Applications

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(A) Local Number Portability Data Base Service

General

The Company's Local Number Portability ("LNP") data base contains Location Routing Number ("LRN") information for a telecommunication service user's choice of Local Service Provider by NXX code. Each LRN is unique to the LSP's serving switch that will complete the call. Customers may access the Local Number Portability data base information as set forth in 13.9.1, following, or by utilizing the Company's CCSNC as set forth in 6.8.3, preceding.

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- 6. <u>Switched Access Service</u> (Cont'd)
 - 6.8 Chargeable and Nonchargeable Optional Features (Cont'd)
 - 6.8.3 <u>Common Channel Signaling/Signaling System 7 Network</u> <u>Connection Service (CCSNC)</u> (Cont'd)
 - 6.8.3.1 CCSNC Service Applications (Cont' d)
 - (A) Local Number Portability Data Base Service (Cont' d)

Ordering Requirements

When a customer utilizes CCSNC links to receive LNP data base information, the customer must specify, per access order, the LNP Point Code(s), and Location Identification Codes(s).

Provisioning Requirements

LNP customers using CCSNC as set forth in 6.8.3, preceding, must specify a routing indicator to be set for further Global Title Translations (GTTs). The Company performs the final GTT. The Company will provide to the customer all necessary network accessing information (e.g., territorial STP codes, SCP point codes, sub system number, physical points of interconnection, signal link codes, identity of interconnecting link sets, primary and alternate routes) of the Company's LNP application.

The Company's LNP data base records are available seven (7) days a week, twenty four (24) hours a day. The Company's LNP data base is updated based on the national standard adopted by the North American Numbering Council (NANC) for local number portability data base administrators who are responsible for the Regional Service Management System/Number Portability Administration Center.

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6. Switched Access Service (Cont'd)

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- 6.8 Chargeable and Nonchargeable Optional Features (Cont'd)
 - 6.8.3 <u>Common Channel Signaling/Signaling System 7 Network</u> <u>Connection Service (CCSNC)</u> (Cont'd)
 - 6.8.3.1 CCSAC Service Applications (Cont' d)
 - (A) Local Number Portability Data Base Service (Cont' d)

Provisioning Requirements (Cont' d)

LNP data base information is proprietary and protected from unauthorized access. Customers may not store any LNP data base information in their own database or elsewhere for any reason. The LNP data base is accessed on a call by call basis and cannot be used for purposes other than those functions described herein.

Testing Requirements

At no additional charge, the Company will cooperatively test with the customer, at the time of installation, network compatibility and other operational tests for those customers utilizing Company CCSNC Links to reach the Company's LNP data base.

Performance Requirements

The Company will administer its network to ensure the provision of acceptable service levels to all telecommunications users of the Company's network service. The Company maintains the right to invoke manual or automated protective control intervention to its network on a competitively neutral basis. These controls would generally be applied as a result of occurrences such as failure or overload of Company facilities, customer facilities or other networks, natural disasters, mass calling or national security.

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6. Switched Access Service (Cont'd)

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- 6.8 <u>Chargeable and Nonchargeable Optional Features</u> (Cont'd)
 - 6.8.3 <u>Common Channel Signaling/Signaling System 7 Network</u> <u>Connection Service (CCSNC)</u> (Cont'd)
 - 6.8.3.1 CCSAC Service Applications (Cont' d)
 - (A) Local Number Portability Data Base Service (Cont' d)

Rate Categories

A LNP Data Base Query Charge as described following is assessed when the customer utilizes CCSNC links to access the Company's LNP data base. Rates and charges for the LNP Data Base Query Charge are set forth in 16.2.2, following.

 A nonrecurring charge applies for the translation of the signaling point code as applicable to the CCSNC LNP Data Base Query service. This charge is applicable for the installation of the service and for rearrangement of existing CCSNC service to add LNP Data Base Query service. In addition, an Access Order Charge will apply, as shown in Section 5, preceding.

Any change in LNP CCSNC links shall be treated as a discontinuance of the existing service and an installation of a new service.

2. LNP Data Base Query Charge

The LNP Data Base Query Charge represents the transport from the STP to the SCP, the query to the LNP data base and back to the originating STP.

The LNP Data Base Query Charge is billed on a per query basis regardless of the outcome of the query. (N)

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6. <u>Switched Access Service</u> (Cont'd)

6.8 <u>Chargeable and Nonchargeable Optional Features</u> (Cont'd)

6.8.4	800 Data Base Access Service (T))*			
	800 Data Base Access Service is provided with FGD switched access service. When a 1+800 Series-NXX-XXXX (T) call is originated by an end user, the Telephone Company will				
	utilize the Signaling System 7 (SS7) network to query an 800 Series data base to perform the identification function. The call will then be routed to the identified customer over FGD switched				
	access. The 800 series includes the following service area codes: 800, 888, 877, 866, 855, 844, 833, and 822.				
	The manner in which 800 data base access service is provided is dependent on the availability of SS7 service at the end office from which the service is provided as outlined following:	*			
	- When 800 data base access service originates at an end office equipped with Service Switching Point (SSP) capability for querying centralized data bases, all such service will be provided from that end office.)*			
-	- When 800 data base access service originates at an end office not equipped with SSP customer identification (T))*			
	capability, the 800 series call will be delivered to the access tandem on which the end office is homed and which is equipped with the SSP feature to query centralized data bases.	*			
	- Query charges as set forth in 16.2.2 following are in addition to those charges applicable for the Feature Group				

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D switched access service.

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- 6. <u>Switched Access Service</u> (Cont' d)
 - 6.8 <u>Chargeable and Nonchargeable Optional Features</u> (Cont' d)
 - Originating Line Screening (OLS) is provided with FGD switched access service. When a 1+NPA-NXX-XXXX call is originated by an end user, the Telephone Company will utilize the Signaling System 7 (SS7) network to query an OLS data base to perform the screening function. OLS enables an operator service provider to determine the billing restrictions that apply to the calling party's line.

The manner in which OLS data base access service is provided is dependent on the availability of SS7 service at the end office from which the service is provided as outlined following:

- When OLS data base access service originates at an end office equipped with Service Switching Point (SSP) capability for querying centralized data bases, all such service will be provided from that end office.
- When OLS data base access service originates at an end office not equipped with SSP customer identification capability, the OLS call will be delivered to the access tandem on which the end office is homed and which is equipped with the SSP feature to query centralized data bases.
- 6.8.6 Automated Message Accounting Records

Automated Message Accounting Records (AMAR) is an electronic media download of Automated Message Accounting (AMA) from the switch for a specific Interexchange Carrier (IXC). The IXC can extract information from this download to rate and bill calls as well as provide additional information for its subscribers.

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- 6. <u>Switched Access Service</u> (Cont' d)
 - 6.8 <u>Chargeable and Nonchargeable Optional Features</u> (Cont' d)
 - 6.8.6 <u>Call Detail Recording</u>

Call Detail Recording (CDR) enables an Interexchange Carrier (IXC) to provide its subscribers with a historical record of toll call transactions sorted by subscriber designated account codes. The historical records are retrieved from the Automated Message Accounting (AMA) information provided to the IXC for rating and billing. When the switch is programmed to provide CDR, a module is appended at the end of the AMA record to provide the subscriber designated code of up to 14 digits.

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